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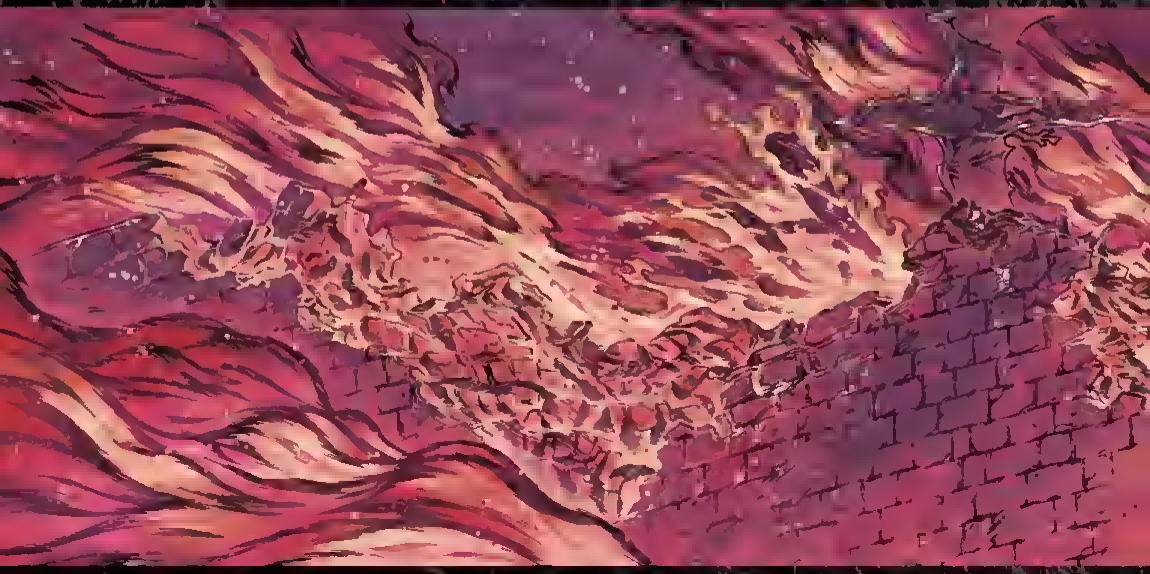

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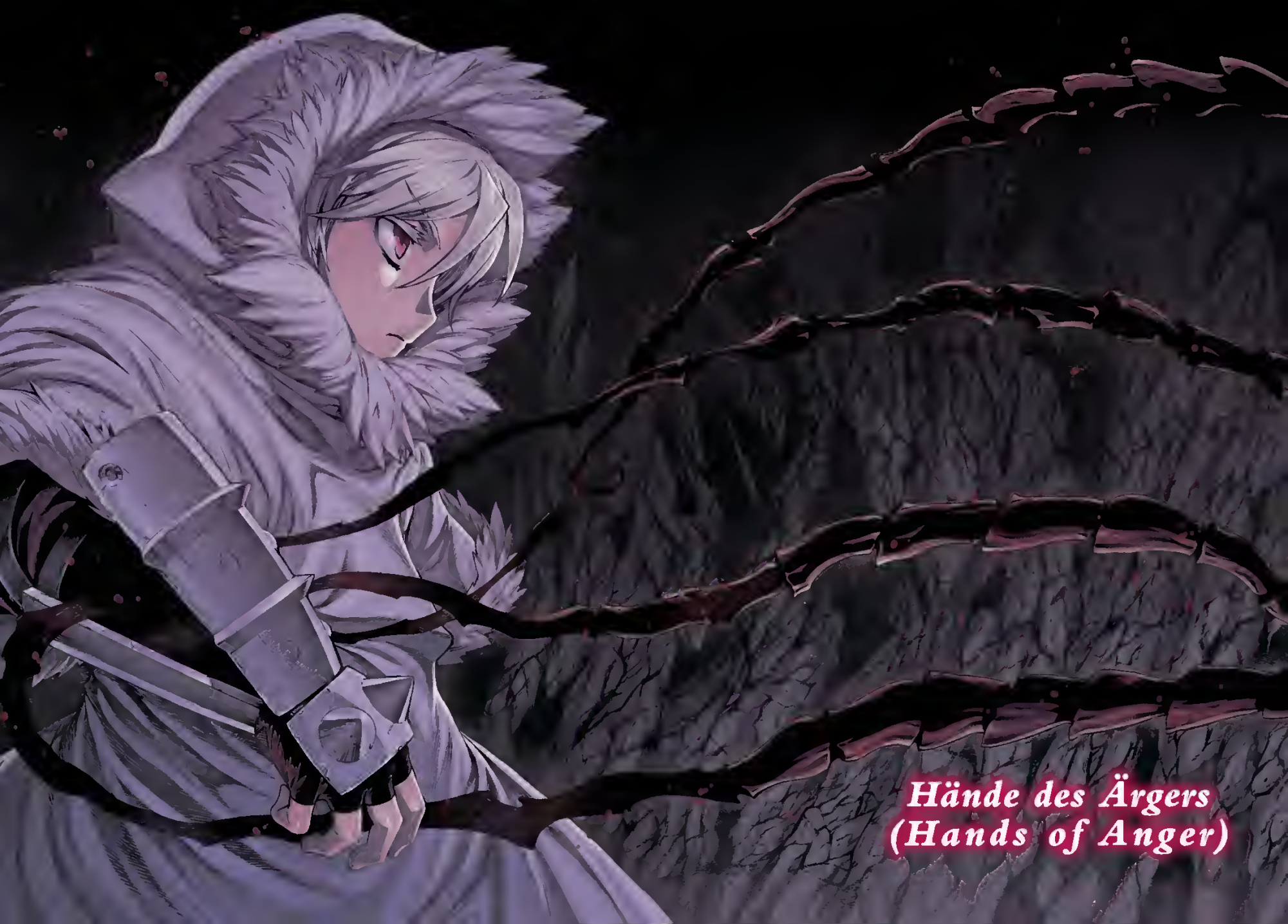
AH...
NGAAH .....!?
Y...
YOU'RE ...!!!
HAAAH...
HAAH...


Hände des Ärgers
(Hands of Anger)

KÖIN-
ZELL
!!!
.....

GWAHHH!!!
ZUBO (SPLORCH)

WHEEE-
COUGH!
I REMEMBER YOU.....!
THAT FACE.....
WHEEE!
THAT SCAR OVER YOUR EYE.....!
...THE MAN WHO KILLED LORD GLENN.....!
YOU'RE .....
!!
THE HERO-KILLING REBEL !!!

...SO MANY HOLES IN YOUR CHEST, YET YOU CONTINUE TO BLATHER.
WHY ARE YOU HERE...!?
HAVE YOU ALLIED WITH THE DREGS OF LEBELLOND'S ARMY!?
SQUIRM
!

AND YOUR DEATH WILL BE DELIVERED BY THE POWER GIVEN ME BY LORD GLENN HIMSELF.....
YOU'RE A DEAD MAN.....!!
THE HERO-KILLER WHO BORE HIS BLADE AGAINST OUR LORD GLENN.....
...WILL DIE BY MY HAND!!!
BY THESE IRON TONGUES .....!!

GYAAAAAH!!!
PRANK-FAHN!!

CA
(CLANG)
ZA
(SKSH)

TCH.
NO MATTER HOW MANY YOU THROW AT ME...
THIS IS OUR LOSS.
WE OUGHT TO RETREAT.
TCH.
GE-DOZER!
.....

SLIP
.....WA...
WAIT!
YA
GIMP!

GET BACK HERE, GEDOZER !!!
ZEFFI !!!
YOU WOULD LEAVE ME TO DIE!?
COME BACK !!!
COME BAAACK !!!!

RORO
(CRUMBLE)

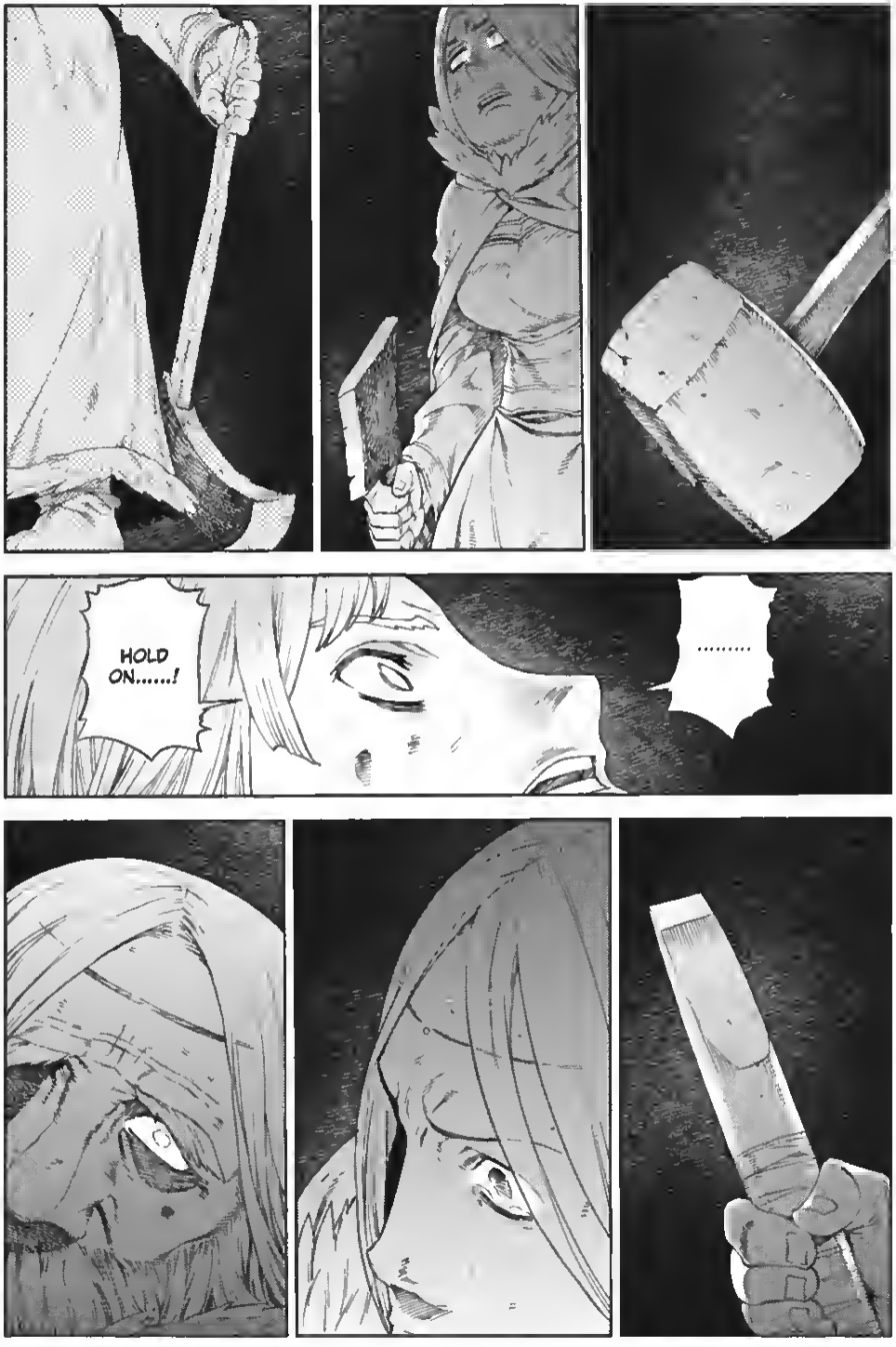
ZA
CHUNK
H-HAVE WE BEEN SAVED...?
KÖIN-ZELL!!

I SEE YOUR OWN HAIR COLOR'S COMING BACK, AHT.
EVER SINCE WE GOT SEPARATED IN THE DRACHEN-KORRIDOR, IT'S BEEN CHANGING LITTLE BY LITTLE...
YEAH.
I WAS SCARED YOU WERE VANISHING FROM MY LIFE ALTOGETHER .....
IT WAS AS IF YOU WERE GETTING FARTHER AND FARTHER AWAY, KÖINZELL...
I WAS SO SCARED...

.....

YOU'VE GROWN, PEEPI.

...YEAH.
KÖINZELL... THAT GUY JUST NOW...
HE SAID, "ZEFFI".....
LORD GLENN WILL REWARD YOU WITH FANTASTIC POWERS.....
SOMEONE..... SOMEONE SAVE ME!
SHIT .....
SHIT .....!!


HOLD ON.....!
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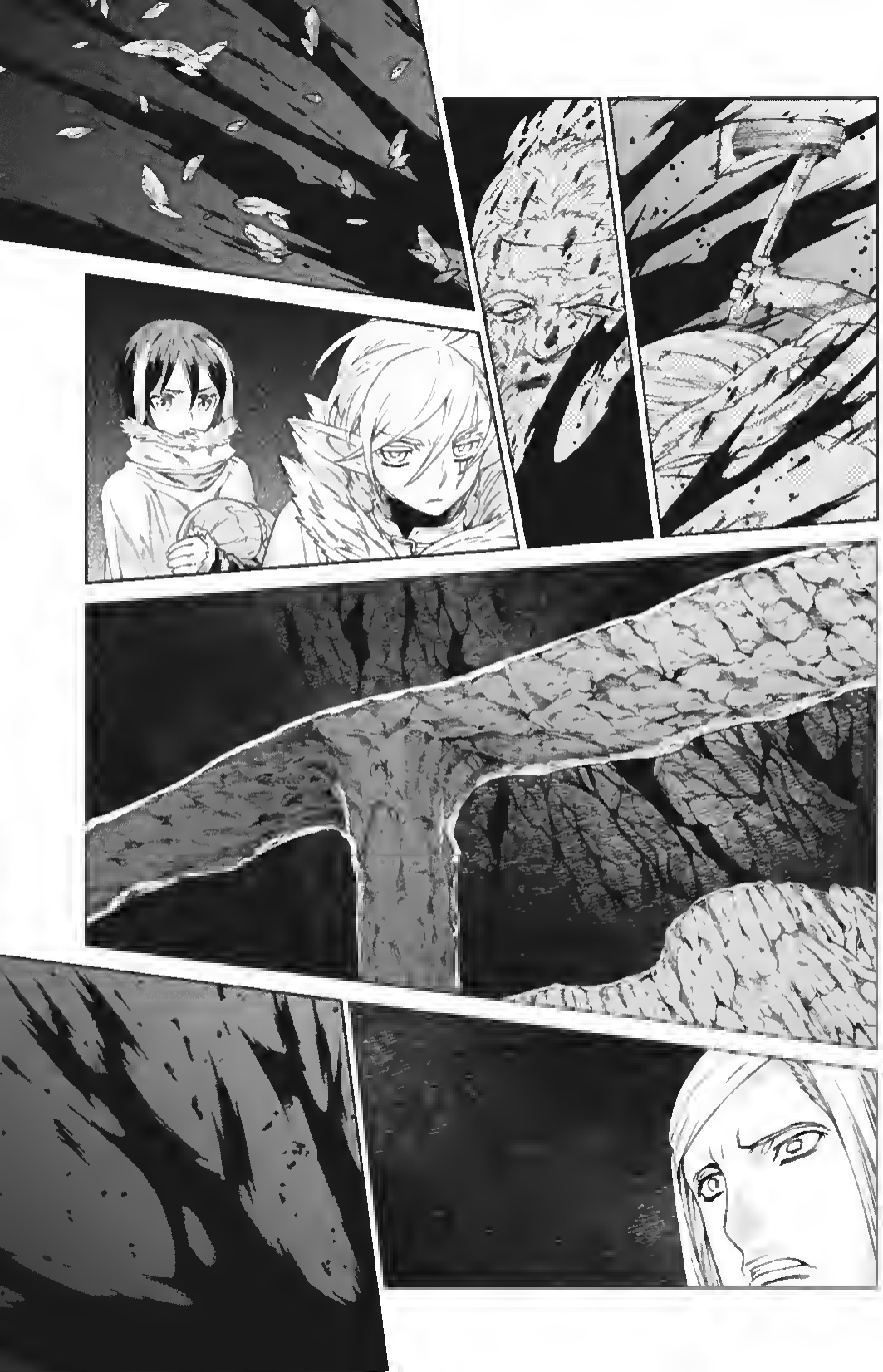
HOW DARE YOU...!?
WE STILL NEED TO INTERROGATE THIS MAN.....
W... WAIT, ALL OF YOU...!
R-RIGHT! EXACTLY!
I KNOW ALL THE SECRETS OF LORD GLENN'S ARMY!
IF YOU PLAN TO FIGHT HIM...
...YOU'D BETTER LET ME LIVE SO THAT I—

GYAAAAAH!!!



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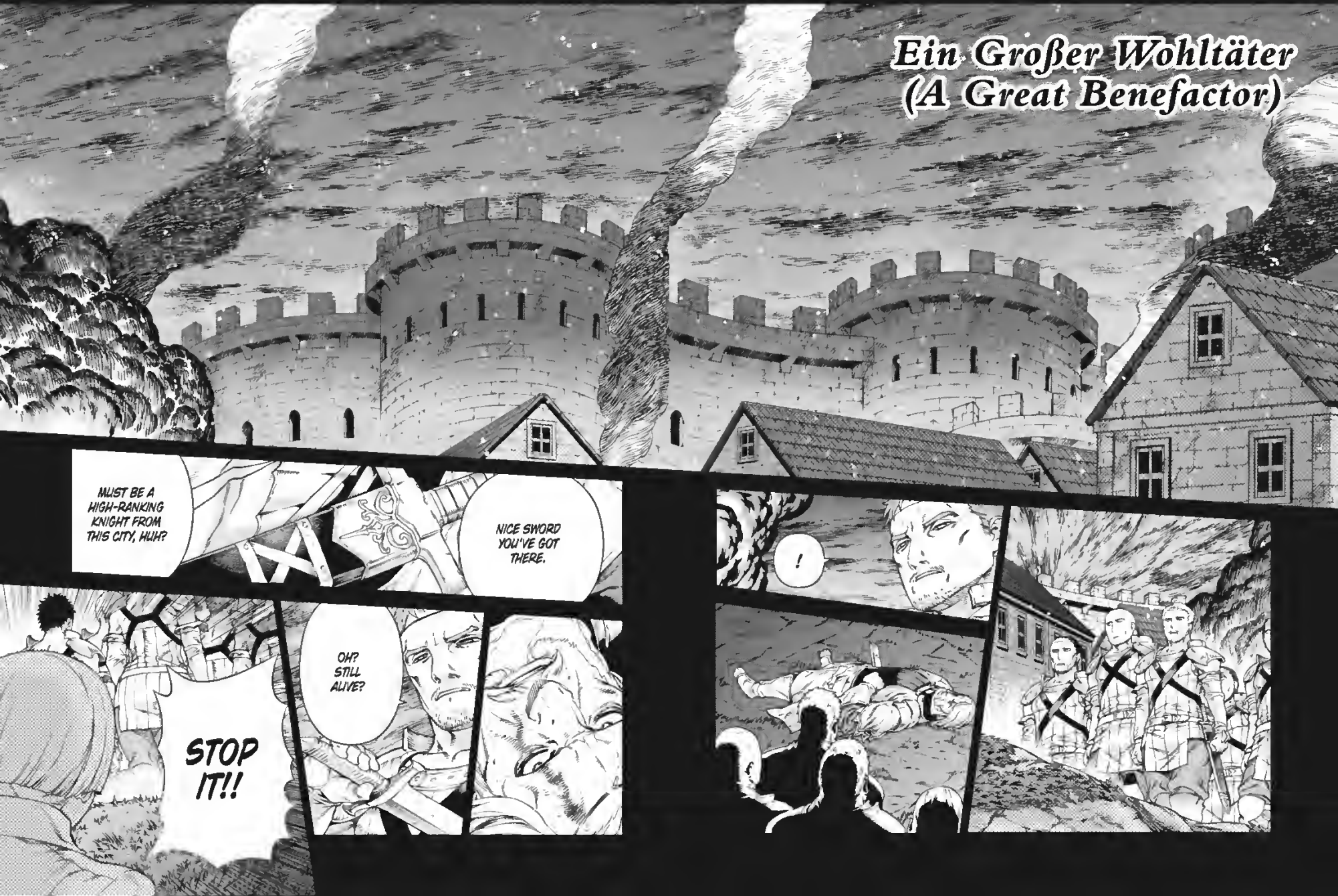
ESCAPE... SAVE YOUR-SELF... ROZEN.
.....
FATHER!

Ein Großer Wohltäter (A Great Benefactor)



RUN AWAY...!
UWAAAAH!!!

DOGA (THUD)
GA (WHAM)
THIS KID'S GOT A GOOD-LOOKING BLADE TOO.
IT'LL MAKE A GREAT SOUVENIR FOR MY BOY BACK HOME.

STILL SOME SURVIVORS SKULKING AROUND OUT THERE!?
DAMN THEM... WHERE'D THAT COME FROM.....!?
!!?
OO (GHOONK)
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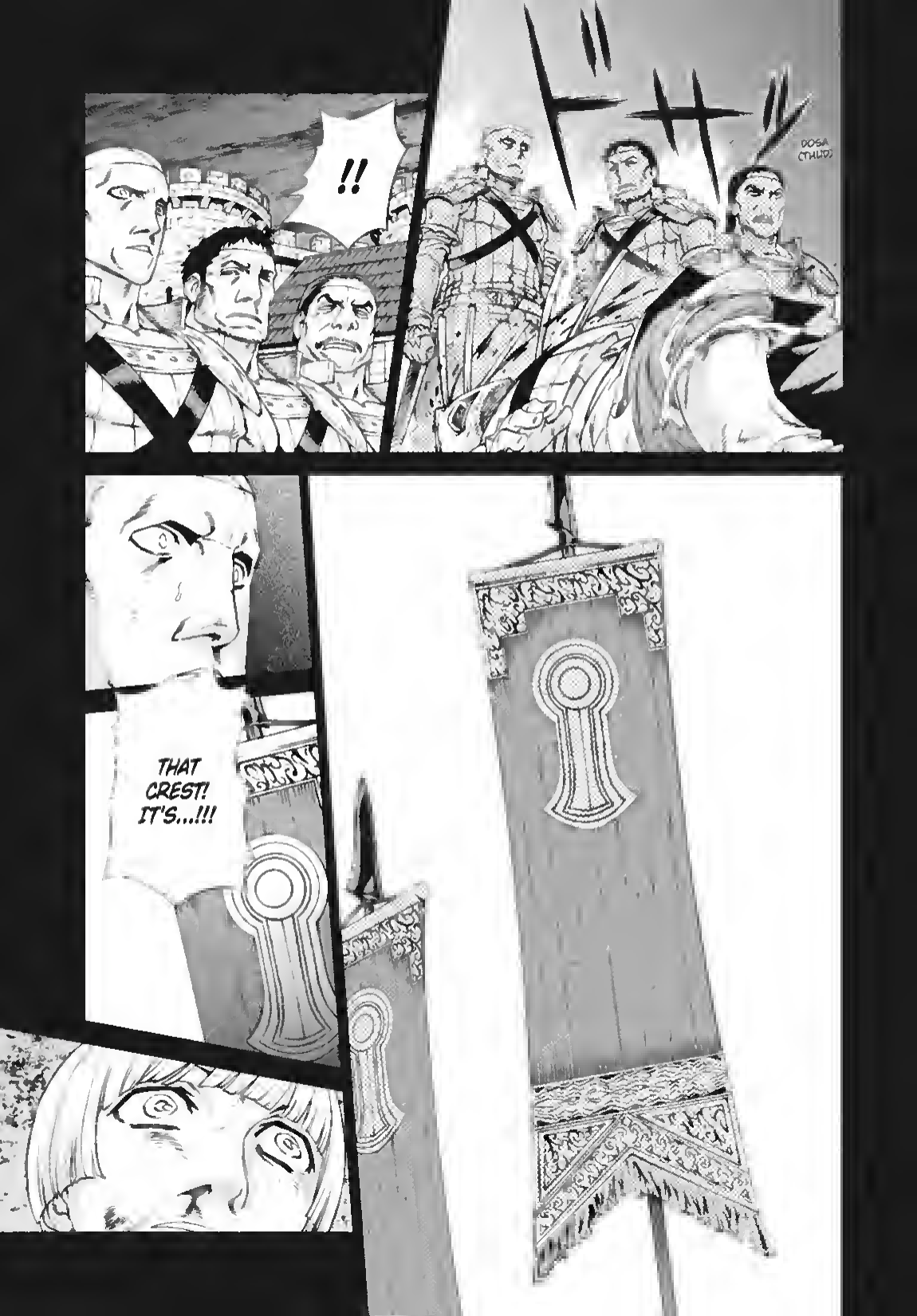
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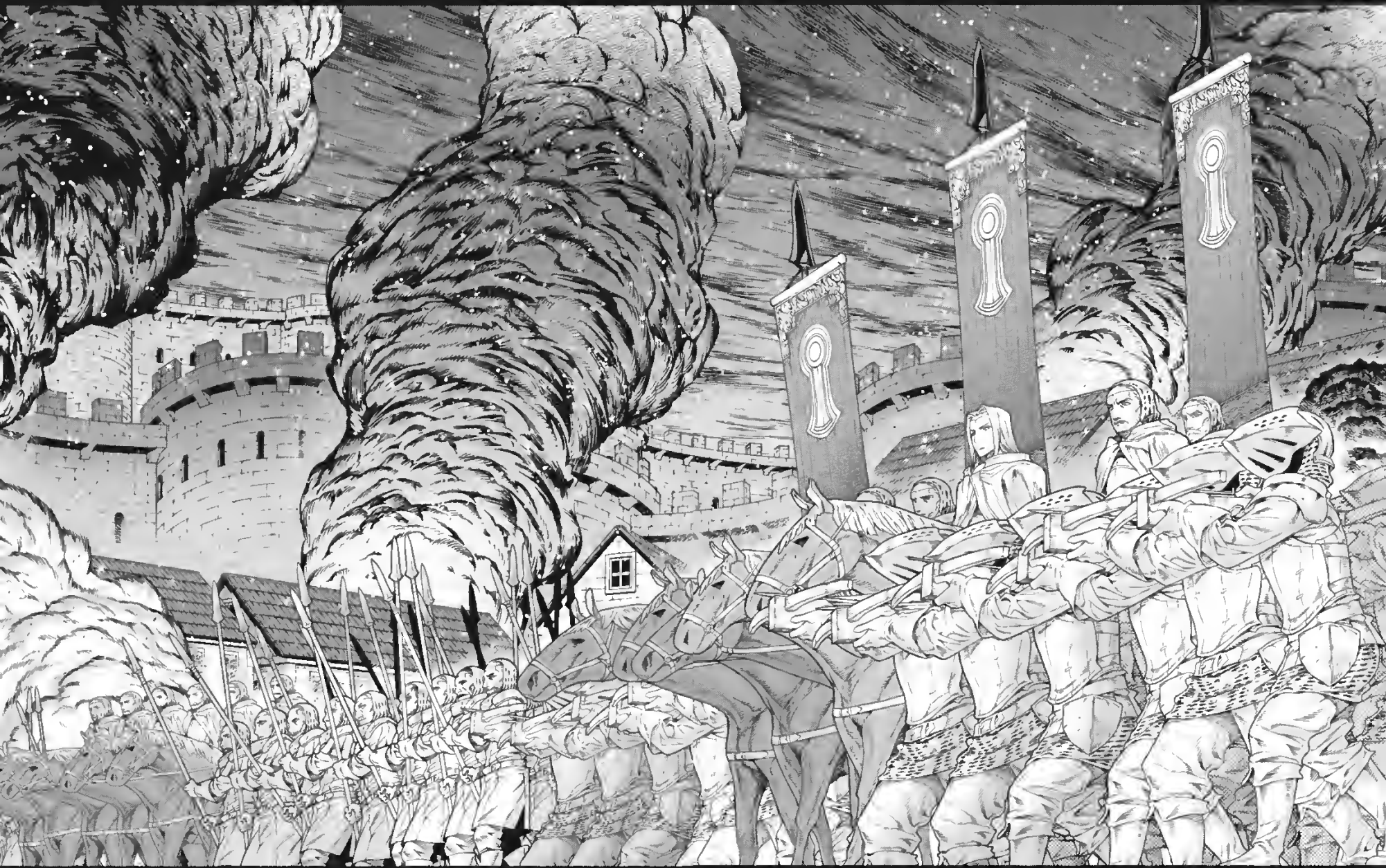
THAT CREST! IT'S...!!!



RARE TO SEE THE GIRLS SLEEPING SO SOUNDLY.
THEY MUST BE RELIEVED TO SEE YOU AGAIN, KÖINZELL, MY BOY.

.....THIS MAN'S TOLD US ALL ABOUT YOU.
SO YOU REALLY ARE THE HERO-KILLER, THEN?
THAT'S RIGHT.
YOUR OWN LIEGE, LEBELLOND...
...ALSO FELL BY MY HAND.

.....
IT WAS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME...
...BEFORE REGGA CASTLE FELL.
.....!
...SOMEONE FROM GLENN'S ARMY WOULD'VE STRUCK DOWN MARQUIS LEBELLOND SOONER OR LATER.
EVEN IF YOU HADN'T DONE THE DEED YOURSELF.....
THAT BLATT MEISTER ASCHERIIT YET LIVES...
...AND STANDS HERE BEFORE US TODAY.....!
STILL..... PART OF YOUR STORY IS HARD TO SWALLOW.

AND THE SEVEN HEROES, THOUGHT TO HAVE SAVED THE EMPIRE, DID NO SUCH THING...
THE ONES WHO MADE IT TO THE SEALING TEMPLE TO ERECT THE BARRIER...
...WERE THE FOUR "TRAITOROUS LANCES".....
I CAN'T BELIEVE A WORD OF IT.....!
UTTER NONSENSE .....
WHAT OF THOSE KNIGHTS WITH THE BLACK ARMOR?
AND THEIR TERRIFYING POWERS?
JUST WHAT IS MARQUIS GLENN PLANNING, ANYHOW!?

YOU DON'T KNOW.....!?
I DO NOT KNOW.
.....
.....
HOW CAN YOU NOT KNOW!!?
BUT YOU'RE WITH THE ORDER OF THE SEVEN LANCES, MARQUIS GLENN'S PERSONAL GUARD, AREN'T YOU!!?
COME WITH ME.

HE SHARED HIS FOOD WITH ME. PROBABLY SAVED MY LIFE.
THIS IS WHERE I MET YOUR FRIEND DRAB...

LOOKS LIKE ONE OF THE ESCAPE PODS THEY USE AT REGGA
.....SO THIS IS HOW YOU GOT AWAY FROM THE CASTLE?

GA (SLASH)
A GOLDEN EAR...
MARQUIS LEBELLOND HAD THE SORCERERS IN THE CAPITAL BUILD THESE FOR HIM.....
A PERSON!?
ONE OF THE ZARDE-FAERGIN TRIBE.
A DEMI-HUMAN, MUCH LIKE THE FAIRIES OF THE BORDER-LANDS.

IN ORDER TO ACCOMPLISH LONG-DISTANCE COMMUNICATION, THEY DREW ON THE MAGIC POWER OF THESE CREATURES BY SEALING THEM WITHIN THE DEVICES.....
THIS WAS MADE WITH WISCHTECH MAGICS.
!!
LEBELLOND HAD AN ONGOING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE REMNANTS OF THE WISCHTECH ARMY WHO LIVE IN HIDING WITHIN THE EMPIRE.
HE'D BEEN BORROWING THEIR POWER.
MOST LIKELY .....
...GLENN IS DOING THE SAME.
GLENN HAS ACQUIRED THE POWER OF WISCHTECH AS WELL.
AND HE'S PLANNING TO DO SOMETHING TERRIBLE WITH IT.
BEFORE THAT HAPPENS, THOUGH .....

...I WILL KILL BOTH GLENN AND ISCHUDIEN.

CARE FOR A SWIG?

.....MARQUIS LEBELLOND WAS A GREAT MAN.

AFTER THE SEVEN HEROES RETURNED...
...THE EMPIRE FOUND PEACE. ITS PEOPLE REJOICED IN THAT PEACE SO INNOCENTLY.

OUR LAND WAS RAVAGED BY ONE BATTLE AFTER ANOTHER.
...SO NEW ONES ROSE TO POWER.
...MANY OF THE LARGE FACTIONS HAD BEEN DESTROYED IN THE WAR...
HOWEVER, IN KROHZEN...
Krohzen

IT WAS A PROFITABLE TIME.
I LED FIVE AIRSHIPS' WORTH OF MERCENARIES FROM BATTLEFIELD TO BATTLEFIELD.

OPPOSING FACTIONS WERE CRUSHED. EVERY LAST WOMAN AND CHILD SLAUGH-TERED...
MARQUIS LEBELLOND DIDN'T EVEN SPARE HIS OWN KIN.
THEN MARQUIS LEBELLOND USED HIS CONSIDERABLE POWER TO SUPPRESS THE FIGHTING.
...AS THERE WERE NONE LEFT TO CHALLENGE MARQUIS LEBELLOND.
SO THE FIGHTING DIED DOWN IN KROHZEN...
HE WAS A MAN BRIMMING WITH CONFIDENCE WHO'D ACCOMPLISHED THE IMPOSSIBLE.
A HERO AMONG HEROES, I THOUGHT.
I LOOKED UP TO MARQUIS LEBELLOND FOR THAT.

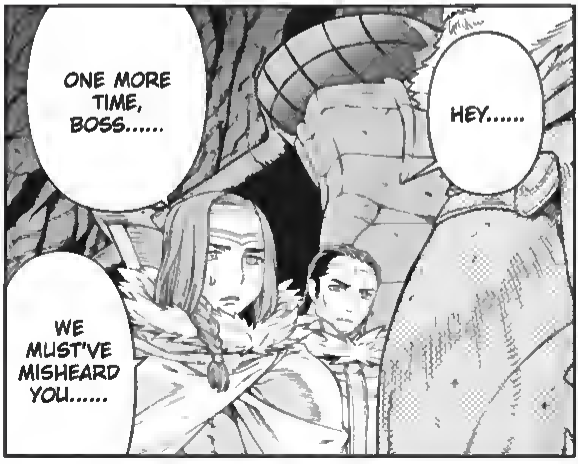
BUT OUR TERRITORY IS VANISHING...
EVERYONE I ONCE KNEW IS DEAD AND GONE.
IF ONLY SOMEONE, SOMEWHERE...
IF ONLY I HAD KNOWN TO STOP MARQUIS LEBELLOND .....

IS THAT YOUR ADVICE TO ME, THEN?
REGARDING MARQUIS GLENN?

IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, YES.
I HOPE YOU CAN.
SUCH A THOUGHT NEVER EVEN OCCURRED TO ME BEFORE, BUT NOW.....

IT'S ALL I CAN THINK TO DO GIVEN THE SITUATION.....

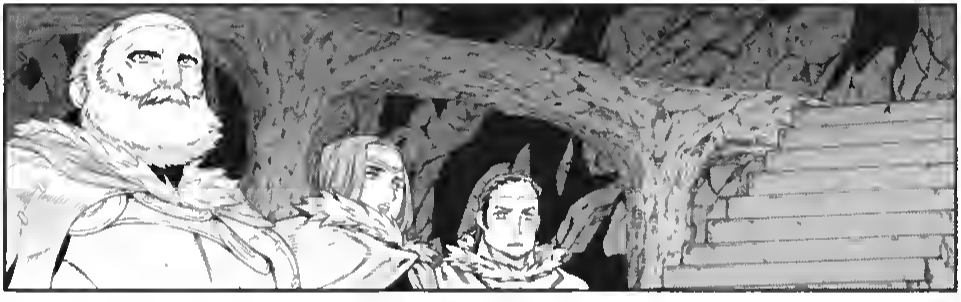
...IF SOMETHING ISN'T DONE ABOUT MARQUIS GLENN SOON...
...WHO CAN SAY WHAT WILL BECOME OF OUR EMPIRE?
I FEEL COMPELLED TO TAKE ACTION MYSELF...

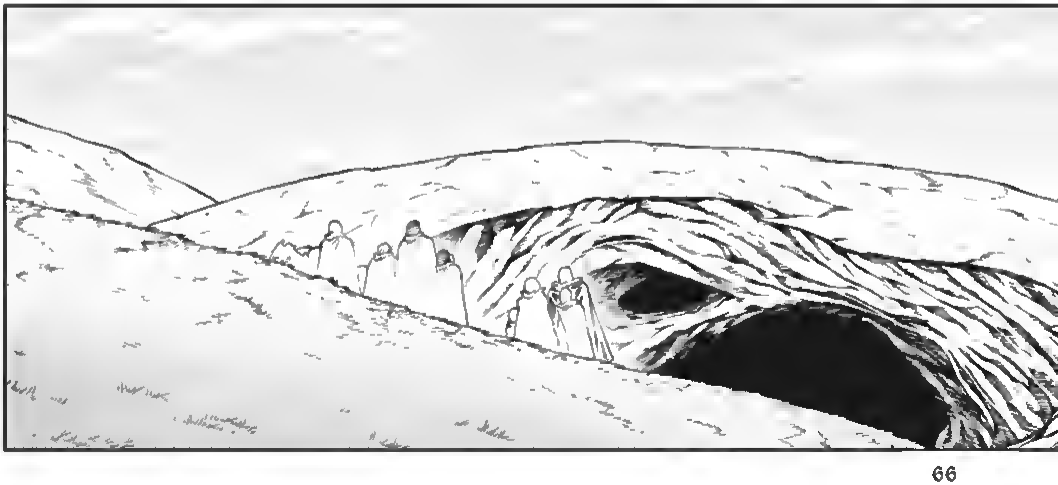

ONE MORE TIME, BOSS.....
HEY.....
WE MUST'VE MISHEARD YOU.....

I'VE DECIDED TO ALLY WITH THE HERO-KILLER HERE!!
IN ORDER TO BRING DOWN MARQUIS GLENN!!
HUH!?
Y-YOU'VE GOT TO BE JOKING, BOSS.....
WE SHOULD JUST SURRENDER TO GLENN'S ARMY...
...WE WERE ALL LIKE LAMBS LINED UP FOR THE SLAUGHTER ...
AGAINST JUST TWO OF THOSE BLACK-ARMORED KNIGHTS...

TELL THEM! GO ON, SAY SOMETHING TO CONVINCE THEM!
YOU PEOPLE .....!
THEY'RE RIGHT.
NO SENSE IN FIGHTING A HOPELESS BATTLE JUST TO DIE.
...NOTE THAT I WASN'T THE ONE WHO FINISHED THAT BLACK KNIGHT.
IT WAS YOUR WOMEN AND ELDERS.
THAT SAID...

THERE'S NO ONE WHO CAN'T BE KILLED.





I'M GOING TO ASK MARQUIS GLENN WHAT HE'S THINKING DIRECTLY.
AND... DEPENDING ON THE ANSWER I RECEIVE...
WE MAKE FOR MARQUIS GLENN'S FLOATING CASTLE.
.....
THAT SOUNDS GOOD.
SO FEEL FREE TO CALL ON ME IF YOU NEED ASSIS-TANCE.
IF I'M GOING TO BE READY FOR A FIGHT AGAINST THOSE BLACK-ARMORED KNIGHTS...
...I NEED TO KEEP MY SKILLS SHARP.
...YOU KNOW I CANNOT DO THAT.

OF COURSE, ROZEN.
THAT'S JUST THE KIND OF MAN YOU ARE.

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Versuchung der Macht
(Temptation Toward Power)

HALL OF SWORDS
...Y-YOU'RE A MONSTER...!!

THAT'S FAR ENOUGH!
IT'S YOUR WIN.
HAAH!
HNNH!
DEGETA!
STOP HER AT ONCE!

SHEATHE YOUR CLAWS, GNODYS.
SFX: SHUUUUUU (FSSSHHH)

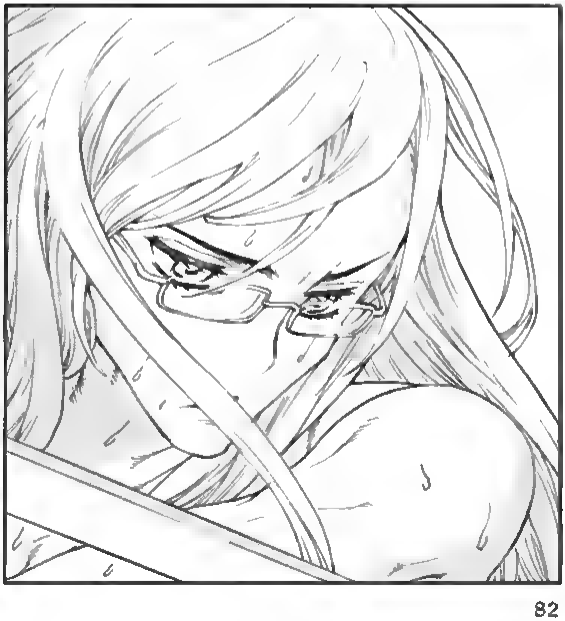
WHAT OF MY APPRENTICE, GNODYS, AND HER POWER?
WHAT DO YOU SAY, MASTER GLEA?
AND I COULD BEAT TEN OF YOUR MEN IN HALF THE TIME, GIVEN THE CHANCE.
AS I AM NOW.
...A SIGHT TO BEHOLD, INDEED.
SHE CHALLENGED THE TOP FIVE PUPILS OF THE HALL OF SWORDS ALL AT ONCE...
...AND EMERGED VICTORIOUS.

IT'S ALL BECAUSE KING GLENN HAS GIVEN ME THIS POWER.
IF THE REST OF YOU DESIRE THE SAME...
...KING GLENN CAN GRANT IT TO YOU.
MASTER GLEA.
A GIFT FROM KING GLENN...
...FOR YOU.

THIS VESSEL CONTAINS A SMALL MEASURE...
...OF WHAT WE RECEIVED FROM HIM.
A SUBSTANCE KNOWN AS "HEAVEN'S DROPS."
TRY IT. JUST A SMALL SIP...
...AND YOU WILL UNDERSTAND THE WONDERS OF THE POWER THAT AWAITS YOU.
KING GLENN WANTS YOU TO GAIN THAT POWER...
...AND WITH IT, TO JOIN HIS ORDER OF HEAVEN'S SPEAR.

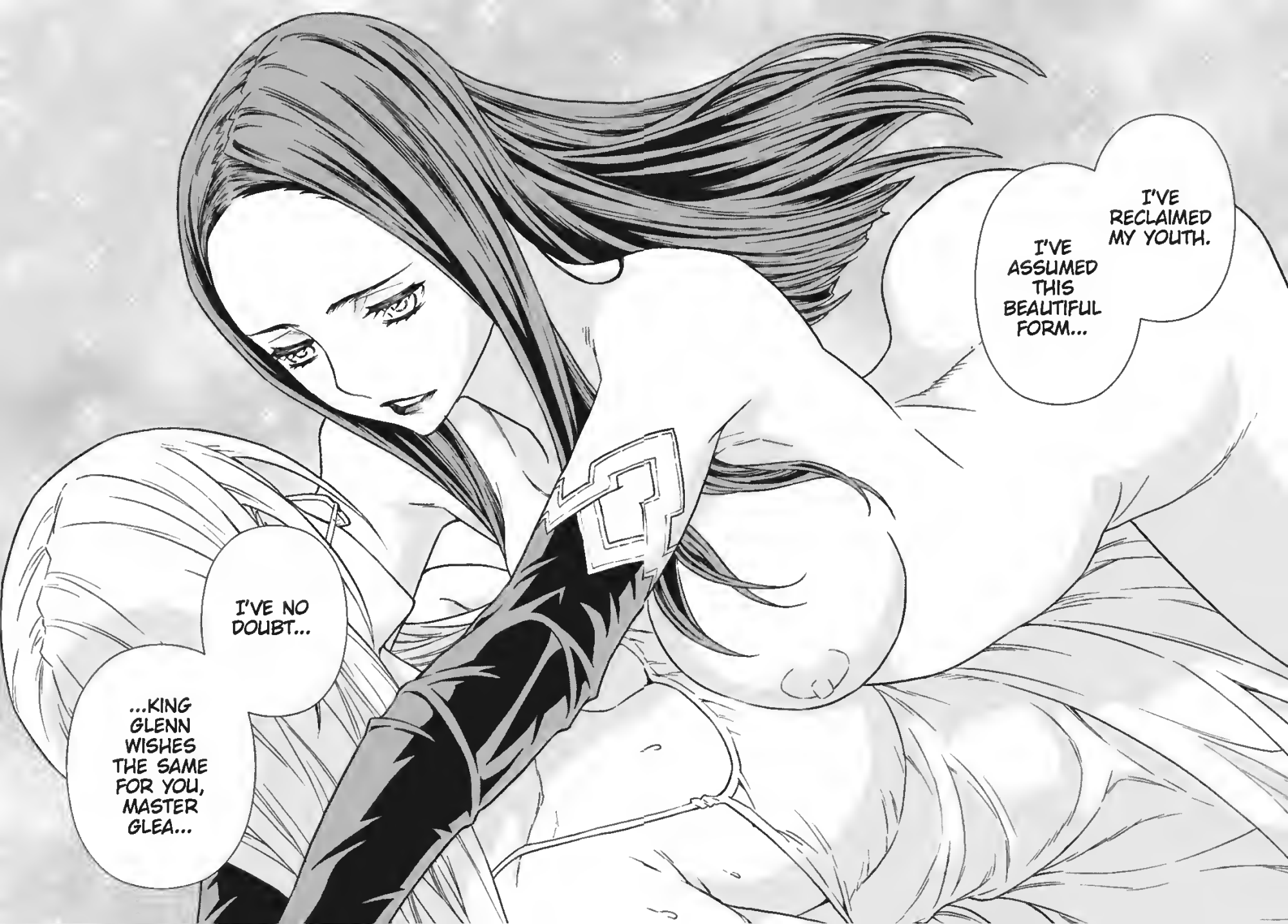
.....I CONCEDE THAT YOU TWO ARE STRONG.
HOW-EVER...
...THERE'S SOMETHING SUSPECT ABOUT THIS "POWER".....
SOMETHING ABOUT IT THAT'S HARD TO ACCEPT AT FACE VALUE...
I...
...COULD NEVER WILLINGLY ACCEPT A POWER LIKE THAT.
.....

WE'LL BE LEAVING THE HALL OF SWORDS TOMORROW...
...AND RETURNING TO KING GLENN.
LET ME KNOW IF YOU'VE CHANGED YOUR MIND BY TOMORROW MORNING...
...MASTER GLEA.



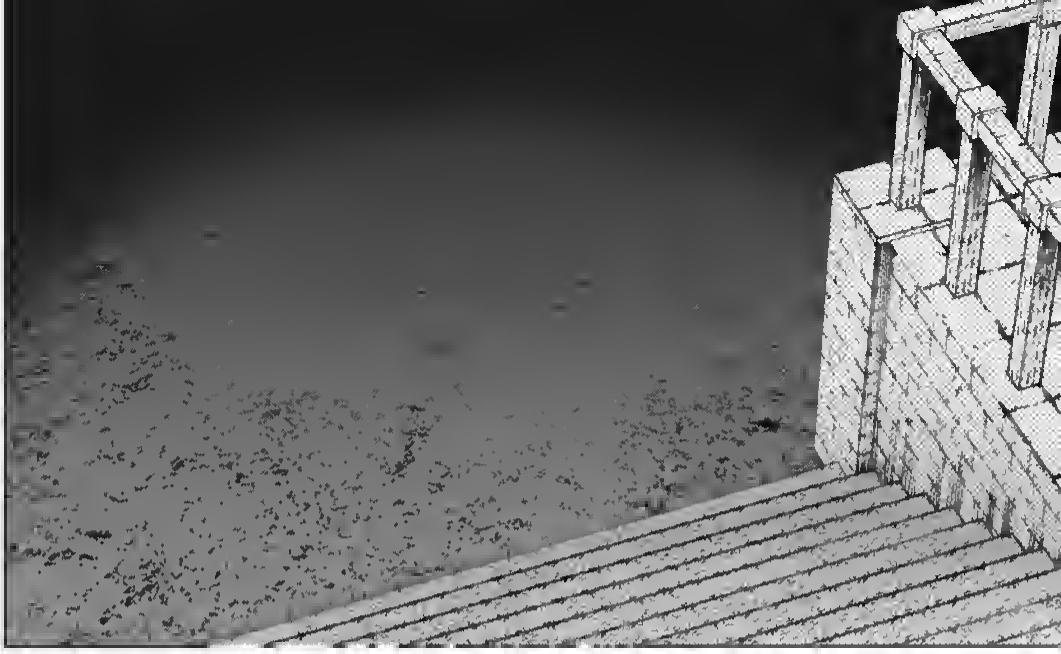
.....
WON'T YOU PARTAKE OF THE HEAVEN'S DROPS...
...MASTER GLEA?

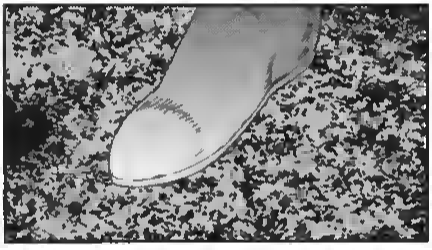
MASTER GLEA...
AS BEAUTIFUL AS EVER.....
YET...
...BACK WHEN YOU TAUGHT KING GLENN THE ART OF SWORDS-MANSHIP...
...YOU WERE SO YOUNG AND EVEN MORE BEAUTIFUL, NO?
JUST LOOK...

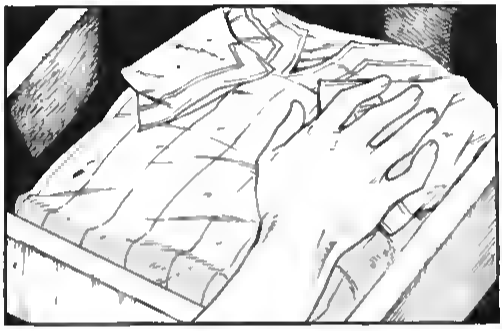

I'VE RECLAIMED MY YOUTH.
I'VE ASSUMED THIS BEAUTIFUL FORM...
I'VE NO DOUBT...
...KING GLENN WISHES THE SAME FOR YOU, MASTER GLEA...

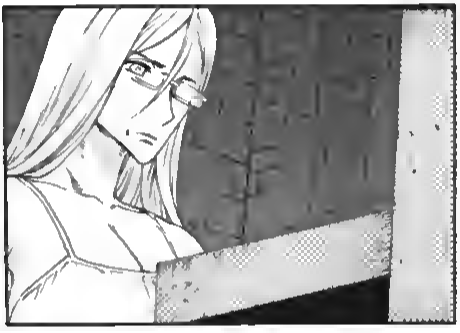
DEGETA.
I NO LONGER...
...HAVE ANY PARTICULAR DESIRE TO BE "YOUNG" OR "BEAUTIFUL."
BECAUSE THE ONE I RAISED TO BE A SWORDS-MAN...
...AND.....
...THE ONE I LOVED...
...IS ALREADY LONG GONE.

GO BACK TO GLENN AND TELL HIM, DEGETA.
TELL HIM...
...THAT I HAVE NO INTENTION OF EVER SERVING HIM.....









AAAAAAAAAAH!!!
!!!?

GAH ...!
AHH ...!
AAAA-AAAA-AAH!!!

MY, MY.
!!!

THAT FACE .....
IS THAT HANDYAL .....!?
HELP ME...!!
MAS-TER...
HE DRANK THAT WHICH WAS NOT HIS.
.....

WHAT A FOOL.
YOU WERE UNQUALIFIED TO PARTAKE. THERE IS NO STRENGTH TO BE FOUND FOR THE WEAK.
MORE THAN ANYTHING, WHAT'S NEEDED TO CONTROL SUCH INCREDIBLE POWER...
...IS STRENGTH OF WILL.....
WITHOUT THAT, YOU BECOME NOTHING MORE THAN A FOUL MONSTROSITY.
HANDYAL... YOU IDIOT...!!
GASHI (GRAB)
!!!

BUJYU (SPLASH)
GYAAA-AAAAA-AAAH!!!
I'M..... STRONG .....
I GOT STRONG .....!!!
MAS-TER...
I...

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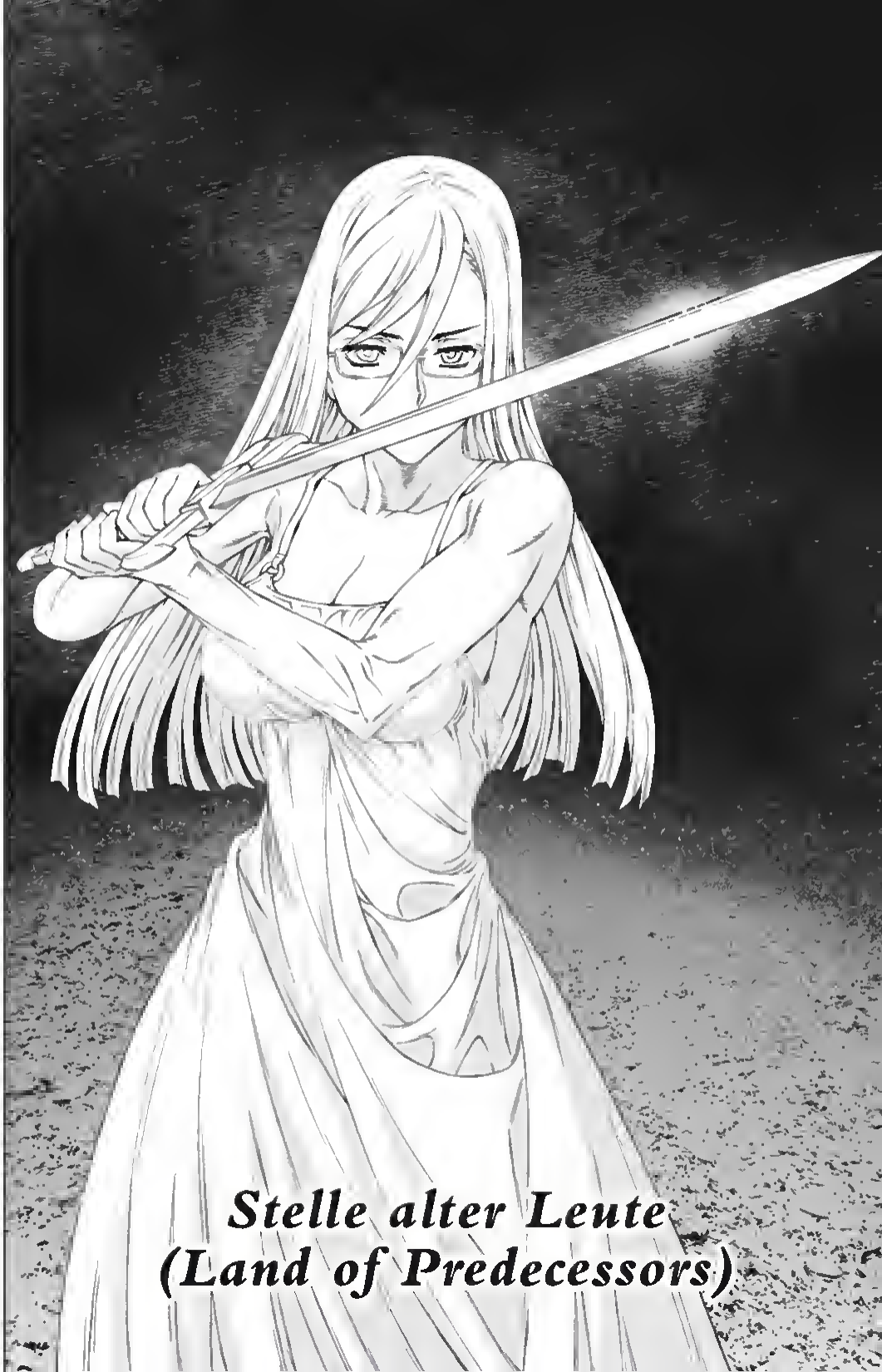
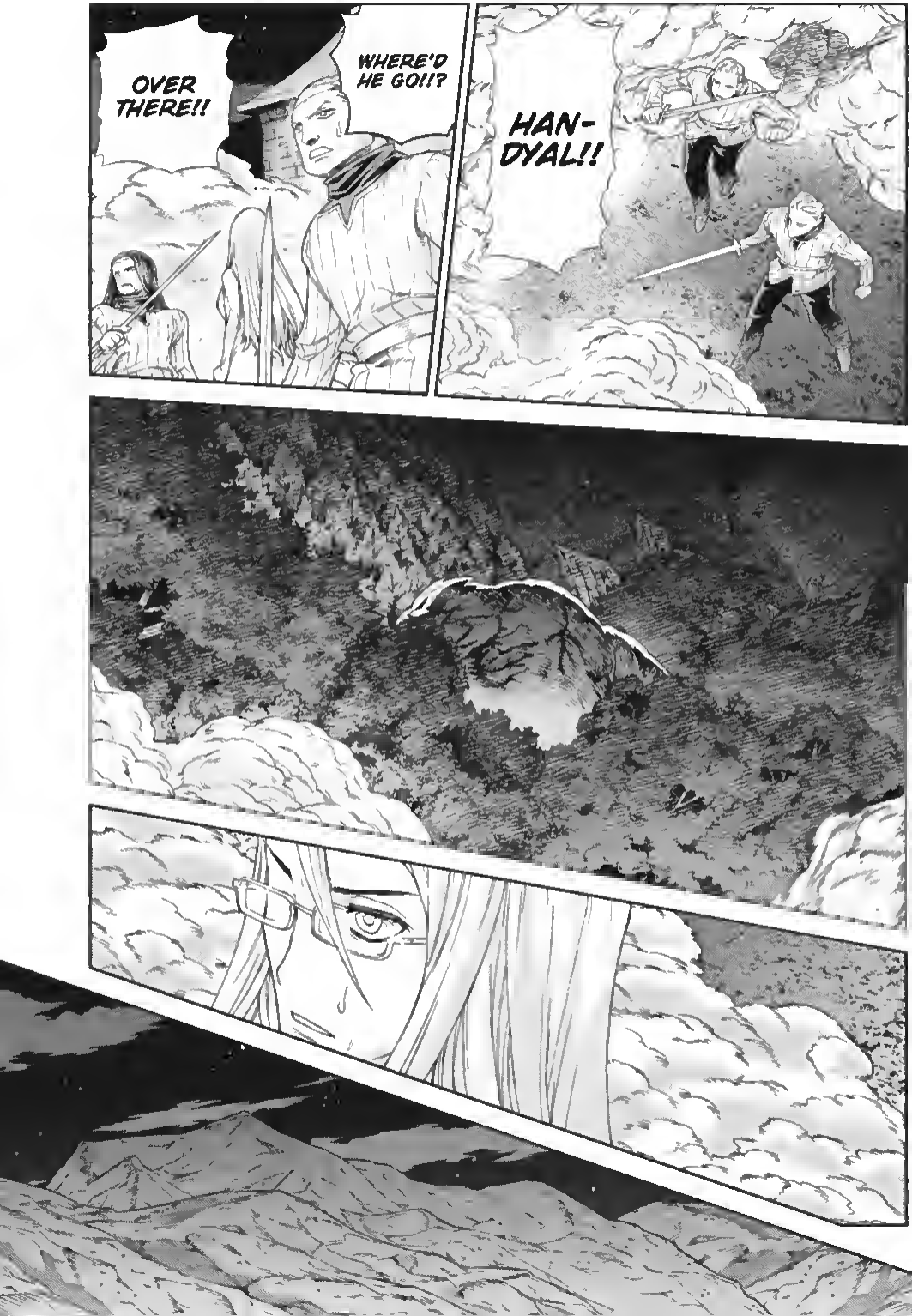

Stelle alter Leute
(Land of Predecessors)

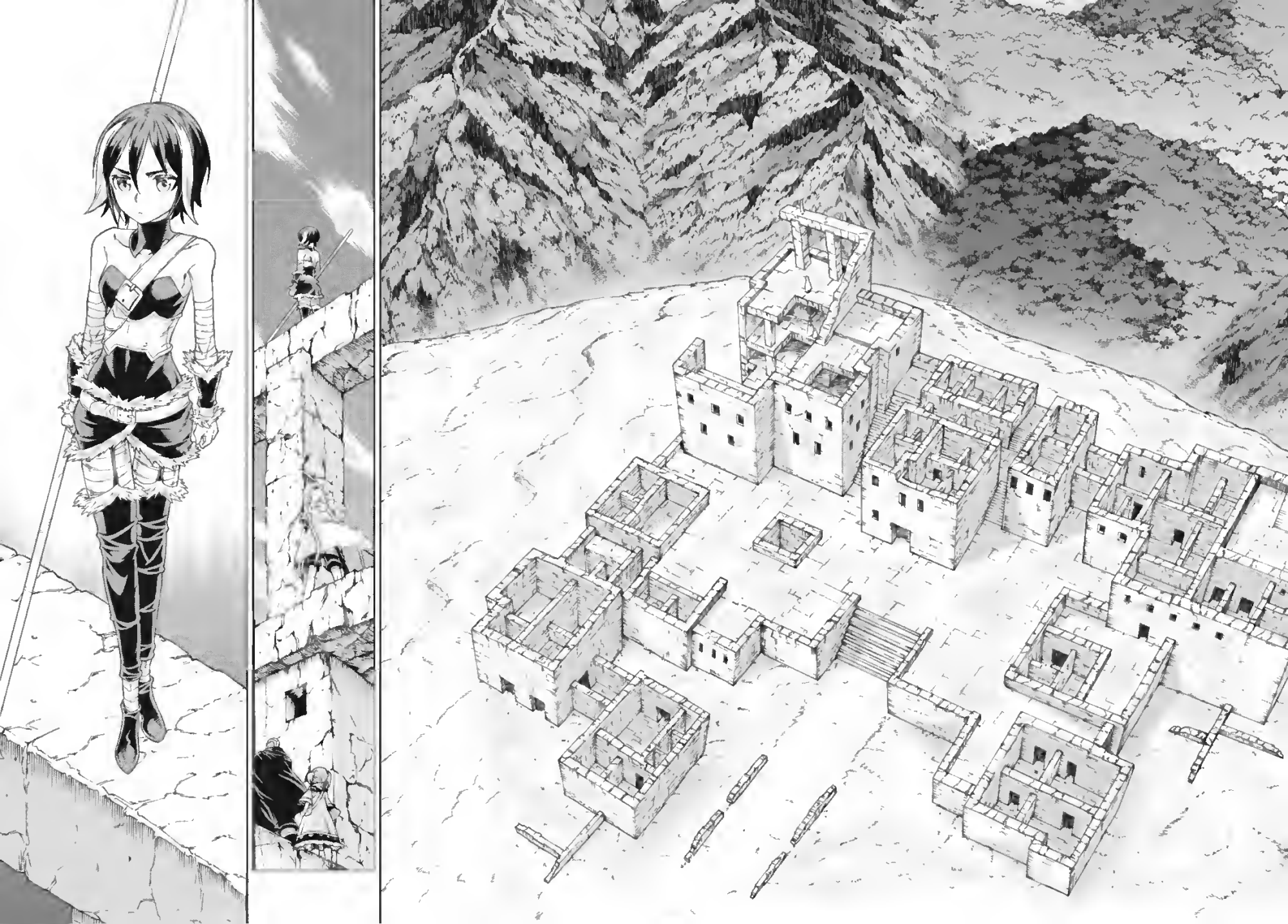
MASTER GLEA...?
YOU TURN YOUR BLADE ON ME?
AND NOW YOU'VE SPILLED THE BLOOD OF A FELLOW STUDENT OF THESE STORIED TRAINING GROUNDS.
YOU FELL TO THE TEMPTATION OF THAT SINISTER POWER. THAT IS ALL.
I CANNOT .....
...FORGIVE YOU FOR THAT.

YOU DON'T HAVE WHAT IT TAKES!
YOU CAN'T KILL ME AS I AM NOW!!
YOU'RE GOING TO PUNISH ME, MASTER GLEA.....!?
I MIGHT LOOK LIKE THIS NOW...
...BUT THAT POTION'S POWER DID MAKE ME A LOT STRONGER!!
I KNOW THAT MUCH!!
PUT DOWN YOUR BLADE!!
SO PLEASE!

NHH...
AAH...
.....
UWAA-
AAAA-
AAAA-
AAH!!!

DOGA
SMASH!


OVER THERE!!
WHERE'D HE GO!!?
HAN-DYAL!!



GSHAAA!!

GYAA!

GSIAA!!
WHAT ARE THESE THINGS!!?

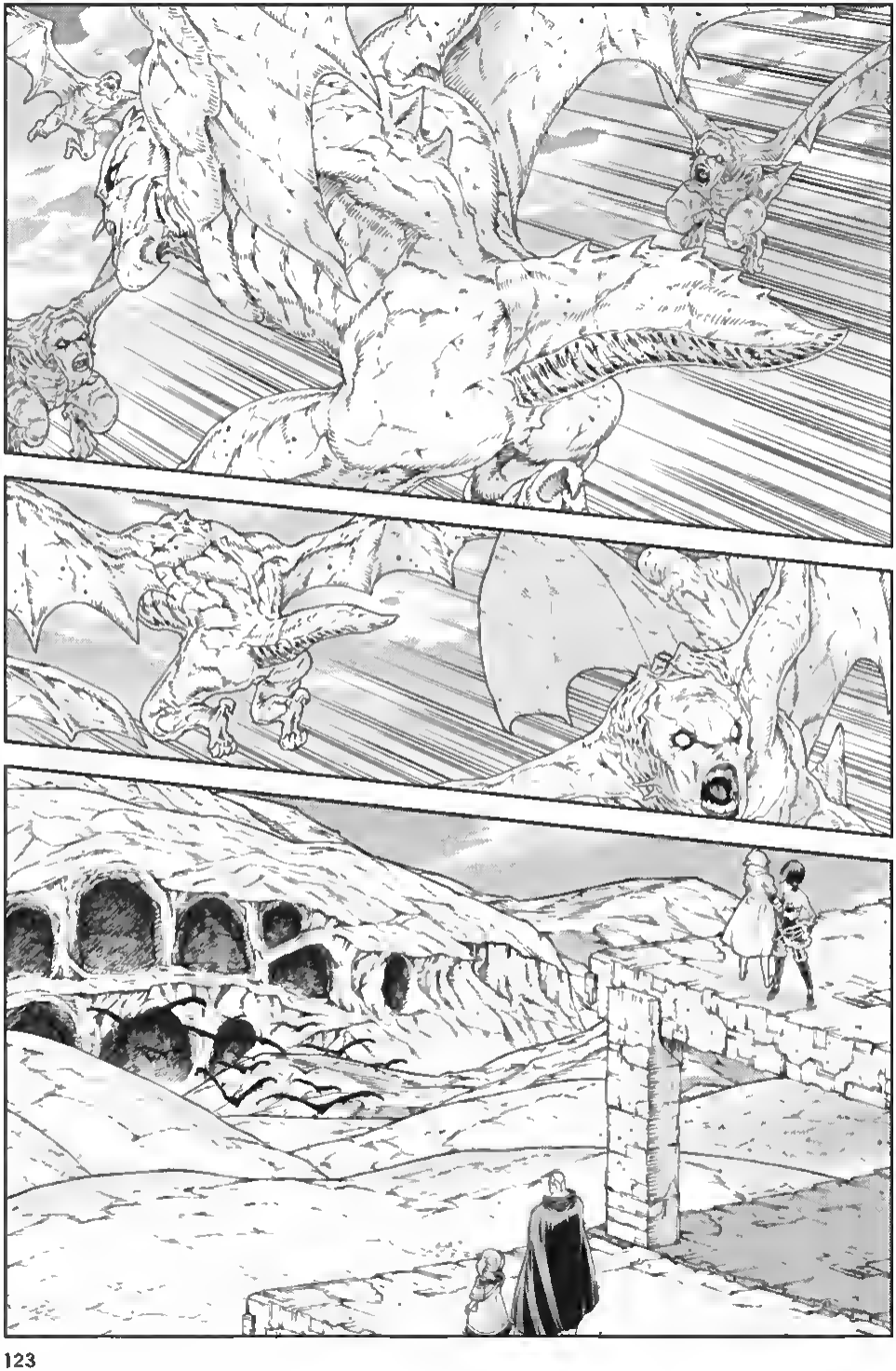
THEY'VE MADE THEIR NEST HERE IN THE RUINS OF ANCIENT JINGUEM.
THEY'RE MAGICAL BEASTS CALLED "VORGOMRE."
THEY INSTINCTIVELY SEEK OUT OTHER LIVING CREATURES TO TEST THEIR STRENGTH.
ONCE THEY DETERMINE AN OPPONENT IS WEAK...
...THEY DRIVE HOME THEIR PHYSICAL SUPERIOR-ITY...
...BY TORMENTING THEIR PREY WITH A LONG, SLOW DEATH.
THEY'RE HAUGHTY, WICKED BEASTS.

BECAUSE OF THEIR TENDENCY TO CHALLENGE HUMANS LIKE THIS.....
...THEY MAKE PERFECT SPARRING PARTNERS.
IN THE DAYS OF MY YOUTH.....
...I TOO TRAINED HERE.

GRRAAAAAA!!
GO
(FWOOM)

MISS AHT!!!

GRR-
AAA-
AAA-
AAH!!



I'LL BEAT THEM ALL NEXT TIME. JUST WATCH!!
.....
YOU'RE STILL A LITTLE TOO GREEN TO BE UNDER-ESTIMATING THE VORGOMRE, AHT.
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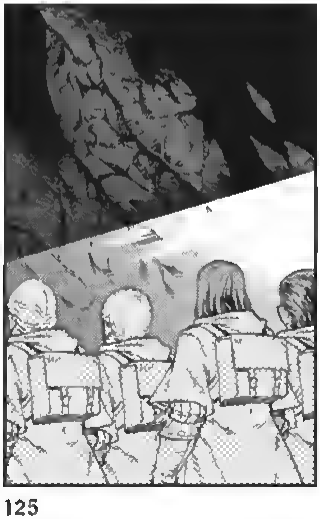
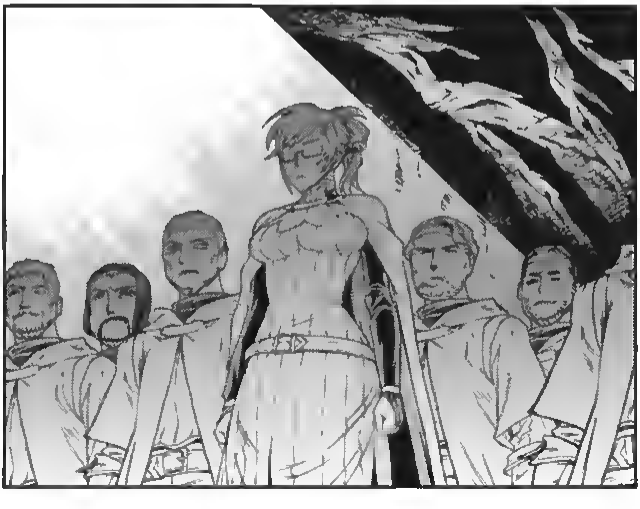
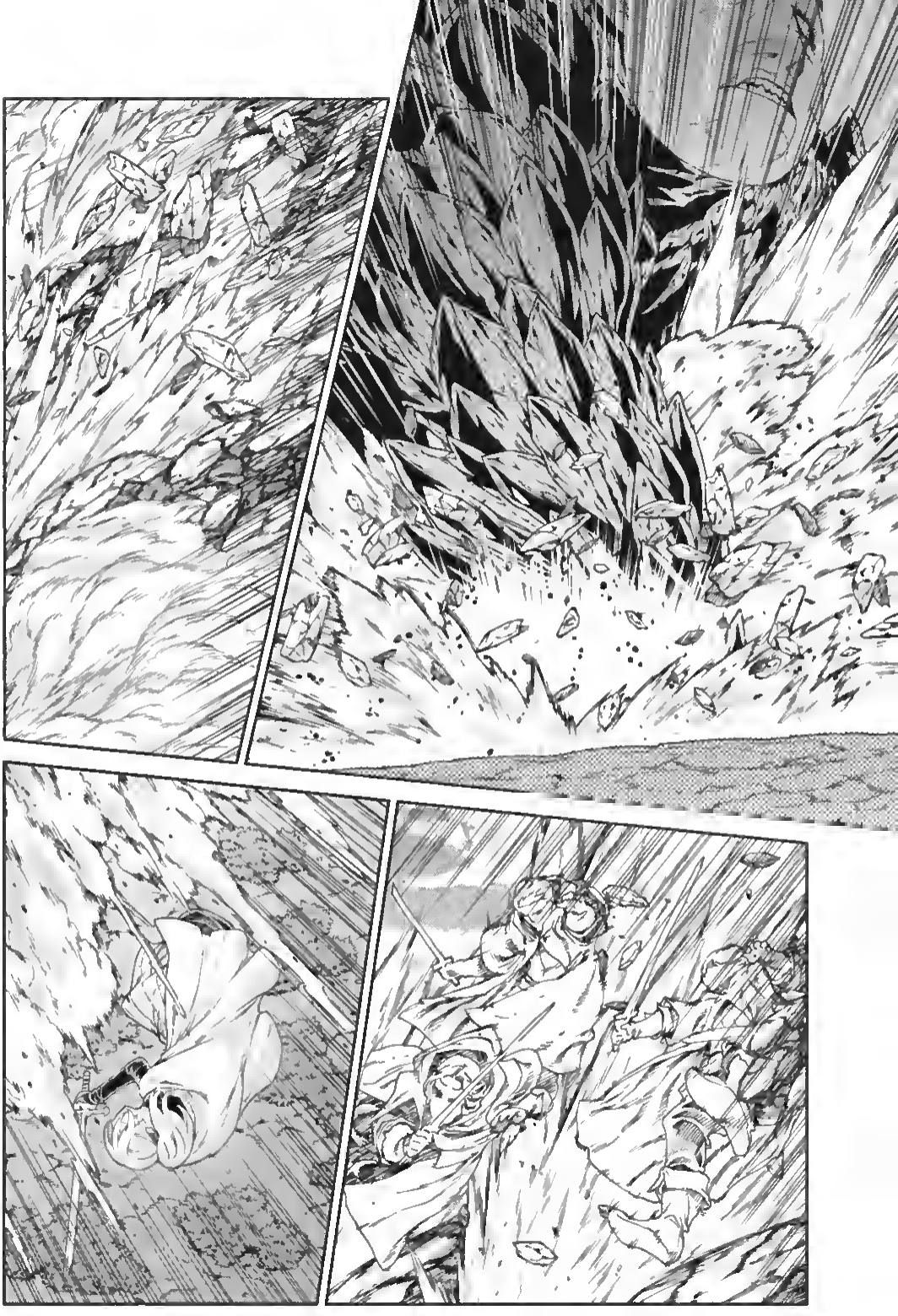




WE FOUND YOU, HANDYAL.

THIS AREA SERVES AS TRAINING GROUNDS FOR THE MOST ELITE AMONG US.
HAN-DYAL.
IT'S TOO SOON FOR YOU TO BE HERE.

I'M...
...WAY STRON-GER NOW!!!
DON'T MAKE FUN OF ME!!!



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UWAA-
AAAA-
AAH!!!!
DO
ZUZA
(SKID)
ZA
ZA
ZA
ZA

Jagd
(Hunt)

WHO'S THAT KID!!?
!
...YOU.
I'VE SEEN YOU BEFORE .....
!?

IT HURTS, MASTER GLEA!!!
IT HURTS!!
MY HAND...
YOU TOOK MY HAND!!
MUST HAVE BEEN A PUPIL AT THE HALL OF SWORDS...
HE JUST CALLED GLEA "MASTER"...
ANOTHER ONE OF MARQUIS GLENN'S!?
WHAT IS THAT!?

GUOO (SPLORCH)
I AM.....
GUOO (SPLORCH)
GUOO
...STRONG!!
!
SFX: GUJUUJUJU
STRONGER THAN ANYONE ELSE...
...AT THE HALL OF SWORDS!!!

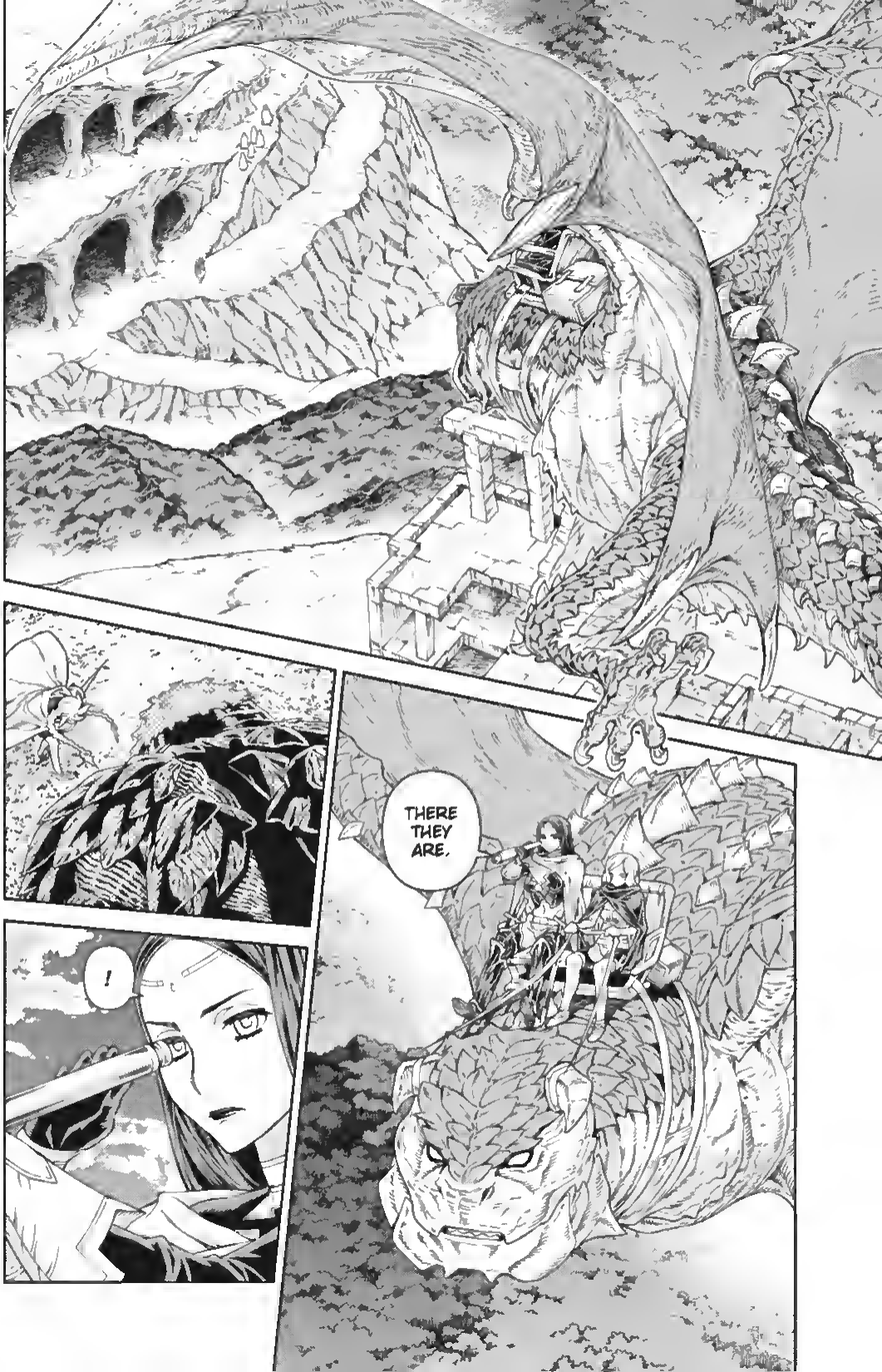
DOZU
(STAB)
!

GOWO (RIP)
KÖIN-
ZELL
!!!

GAGI
(KAKLANG)
!!
TA
(LEAP)

RAAAAAH!!!

STOP DODG- ING!!!

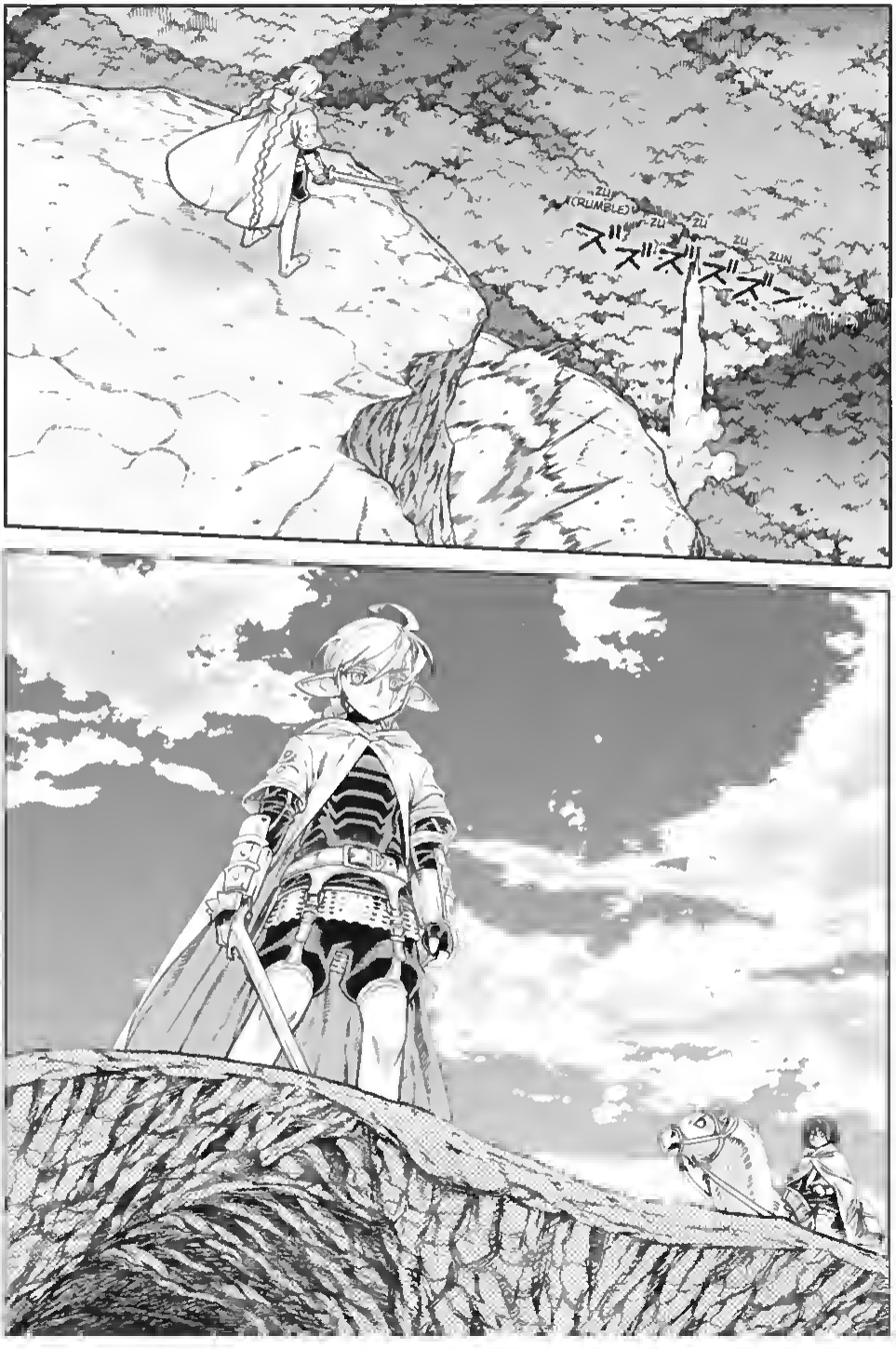

THERE THEY ARE.
!

WHAT A SHAME.
DEGETA.
THOUGH THAT ONE CLEARLY LACKED THE STRENGTH TO JOIN THE ORDER OF HEAVEN'S SPEAR...
...I STILL THOUGHT WE MIGHT ALLOW HIM TO SERVE KING GLENN..
THAT SWORDSMAN IS.....

...WILL SURELY LOSE TO THE HERO-KILLER.
BUT HE.....

DAN
(SLASH)
!!!

UWAA-
AAAA-
AAH!!!!


ZU
(RUMBLE)
ZU
ZU
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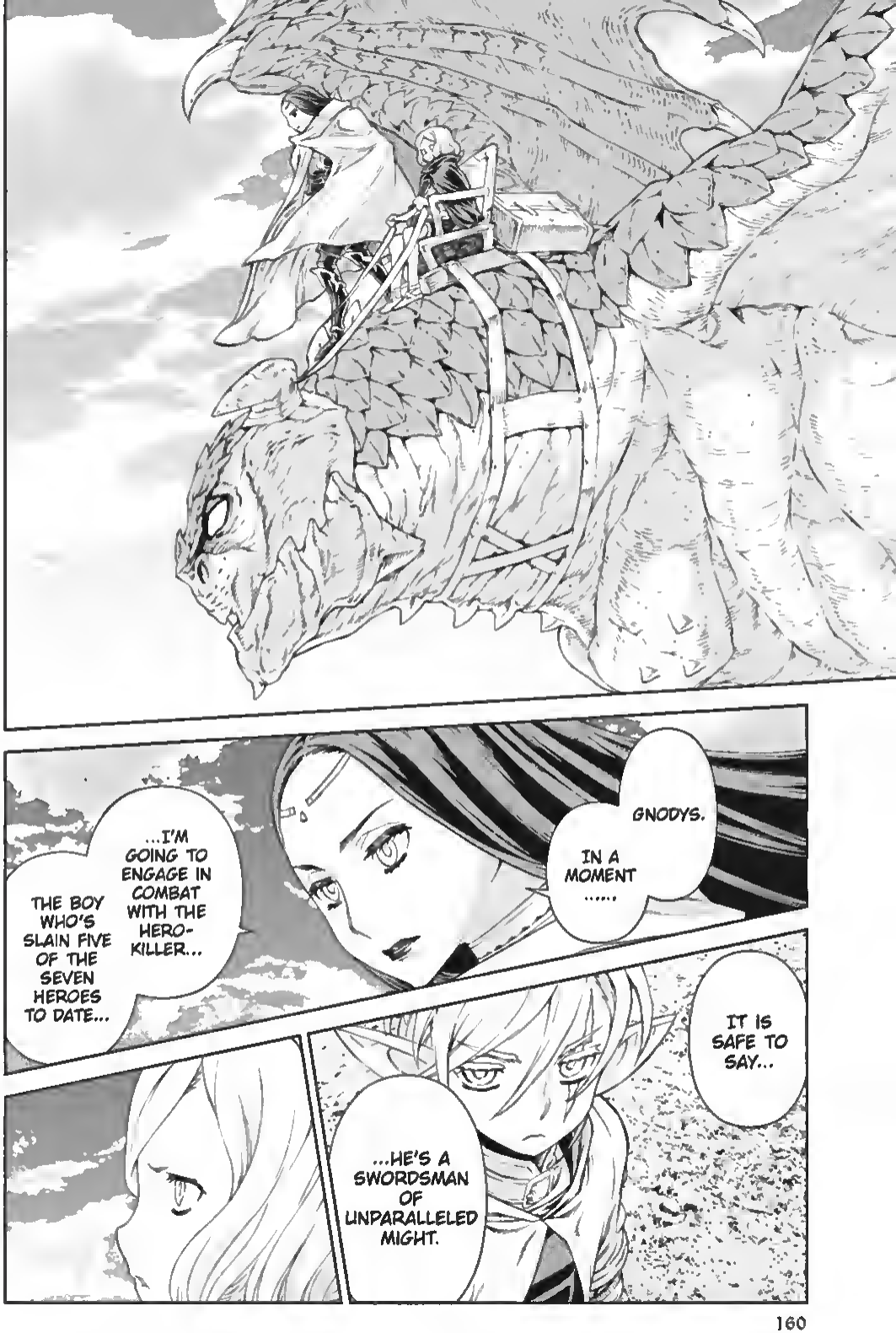
ZUN

SHIT! SHIT!!
KILL!!
I'LL... KILL HIM!!
!

GRAAAH!!
ST...
STAY BACK .....!
KEEP AWAY!!

GYAAAAH!!!
AAH!!
AH...
AH...
.....
AH...


GNODYS.
IN A MOMENT .....
...I'M GOING TO ENGAGE IN COMBAT WITH THE HERO-KILLER...
THE BOY WHO'S SLAIN FIVE OF THE SEVEN HEROES TO DATE...
IT IS SAFE TO SAY...
...HE'S A SWORDSMAN OF UNPARALLELED MIGHT.

MY BLOOD ...
...IS PUMPING !!
DEGETA.
BEST OF LUCK.

GAGIIIN
OKLANG!
MY BLADES WILL BE THE ONES TO FINALLY STOP YOU...
...HERO-KILLER!!!

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KIN (SHINK)
GI (GRIND)
TA (LEAD)
ZA (SKID)
ZA
ZA
ZA

Meister
(Master)

I SERVE KING GLENN...
...AS A KNIGHT IN HIS ORDER OF HEAVEN'S SPEAR.
I AM DEGETA.

AND I'LL BE PRESENTING YOUR HEAD TO THE KING AS A GIFT.
HERO-KILLER!!
!?
"HERO-KILLER" .....!?
THAT BOY IS THE...!?
HERE I COME !!!

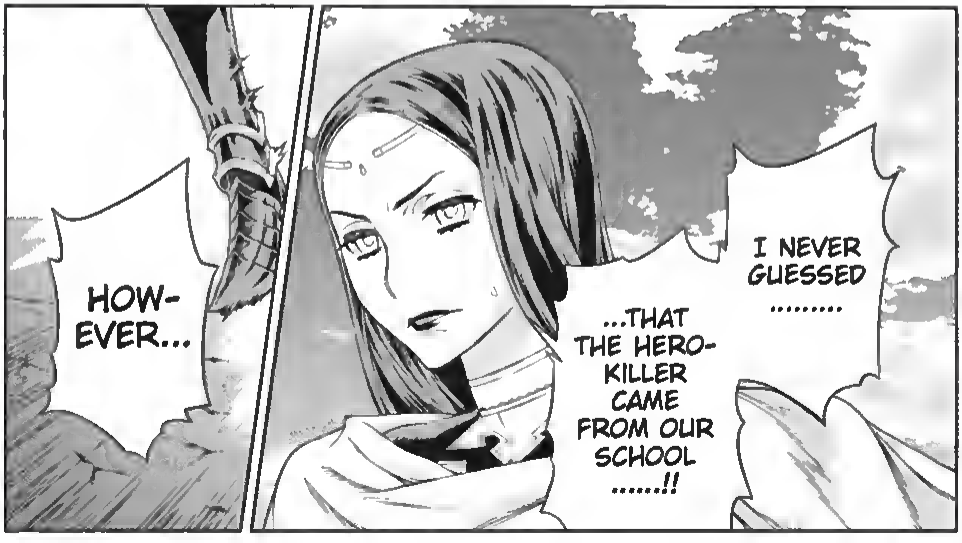
GAK!
KLANG!
HA
HA

!!
GA
(KICK)

ZA
ZA
ZA
(SKID)

MASTER GLEA!
THAT BOY'S MOVE-MENTS .....
.....
HIS TECH-NIQUE...
.....
YOU'RE .....
IT IS UNMISTAKABLY THE STYLE OF THE HALL OF SWORDS!!

AND HE'S MASTERED IT.....!
IF EVER WE HAD A STUDENT OF THAT CALIBER...
...I WOULD SURELY REMEMBER IT...
PERHAPS HE WAS TAUGHT BY ONE OF OUR GRADUATES ...?


HOW-EVER...
...THAT THE HERO-KILLER CAME FROM OUR SCHOOL .....!!
I NEVER GUESSED .....

BUBA
(SPLURT)
YOU'RE POWER-LESS!!!

FLAP!
KÖIN-
ZELL!!
!

GA (WHAM)
ZA
ZUZA (SKID)
ZA
ZA
ZA
ZA

...IN DEGETA'S BATTLE!!
YOU WILL NOT INTER-FERE...
TCH...
GI (GRIND)
GU (STRAIN)
GU
GU

DON'T BE A FOOL...
SHOULDN'T WE JOIN IN TO TAKE DOWN THE HERO-KILLER.....?
WHAT DO WE DO.....?
NO MATTER WHO THAT YOUNG DEMI-HUMAN IS OR WHAT HE'S DONE...

...A BATTLE BETWEEN ELITES SUCH AS THIS ONE...
...IS NO PLACE FOR THE LIKES OF US.....!

GIIIN
(SHING)
DOŽU
(THUNK)

WHAT NOW, HERO-KILLER?
YOUR BLADE WILL NEVER REACH KING GLENN.
BECAUSE...
...I WON'T ALLOW IT!!
THIS IS THE POWER OF THE ORDER OF HEAVEN'S SPEAR.

I...
...WAS THE DAUGHTER OF A KNIGHT SENT TO PROTECT THE EMPIRE'S NORTHERN REACHES.
A LITTLE OVER TEN YEARS AGO, ONE FACTION REBELLED.
FATHER AND HIS COMRADES WERE BARRICADED IN THE CASTLE, BESIEGED BY THE REBELS...
I CUT DOWN DOZENS OF ENEMY SOLDIERS, YET.....
...THEIR NUMBERS SEEMED ENDLESS.
THEY DIED THERE.

I WAS PREPARED TO DIE AT THAT MOMENT, BUT.....
...THEN, FROM OVER THE PLAINS...
...CAME THE FLUTTERING BANNERS OF MARQUIS GLENN.

AFTER SUPPRESSING THE REBELLION...
...MARQUIS GLENN ENTRUSTED ME TO THE HALL OF SWORDS.

AND NOW...
AFTER YEARS OF TRAINING THERE...
...I WAS ALLOWED TO JOIN THE ORDER OF THE SEVEN LANCES.

I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE.
AND I DON'T CARE WHY YOU'RE AFTER THE SEVEN HEROES, BUT...
NOW ...
...I'VE BEEN GRANTED THIS INCREDIBLE BODY.

BECAUSE YOU...
...ARE GOING TO DIE HERE!!
YOUR BLADE...
...WILL NEVER REACH KING GLENN.

MASTER GLEA...
BUT WHY...?
.....

BAKIN
(SHATTER)

DE-
GETA
!!!

.....
YOU'RE .....
COULD YOU REALLY BE...
ASCHER!!!?

LibelBlatt

LibelBlatt

...WERE THOSE SEVEN...?
...THE ONLY ONES TO RETURN...

IT WILL TAKE TIME TO COME TO TERMS WITH TH...
LET'S GIVE HER SOME SPACE.
THAT THE GREATEST SWORDSMAN OF THIS GENERATION...
...THAT BLATT MEISTER ASCHERIT, WHOM SHE RAISED...
...WOULD BETRAY THE EMPIRE AT A CRITICAL MOMENT OF THE JOURNEY...
...AND BE PUT DOWN LIKE THE TRAITOROUS DOG HE WAS...

THAT LITTLE BOY.....
MY DEAR BLATT MEISTER...
...WILL NEVER COME HOME TO ME...!

Helligkeit des Schwertes
(Sword's Brightness)

ASCHER!!!!
.....
.....
I MAY HAVE GONE A BIT OVER-BOARD...
MASTER .....?
WHAT DID... SHE JUST SAY...?

DEGETA!!!
!!
GICHI KRITCHI
GICHI
GAGIN (KAKLANG)

ZUZA (SKID)
ZA
HOW DARE YOU DO THAT TO DEGETA!!!?
TWITCH
.....

GA
(CHOMP)

GNODYS .....
RE-TREAT !!!
GOFU
GO GHAGO
ゴ"
ゴフ"
DEGETA!!
AS YOU ARE NOW...
...YOU STAND NO CHANCE AGAINST THE HERO-KILLER...
GOFU
N...
NO, BUT ...!!

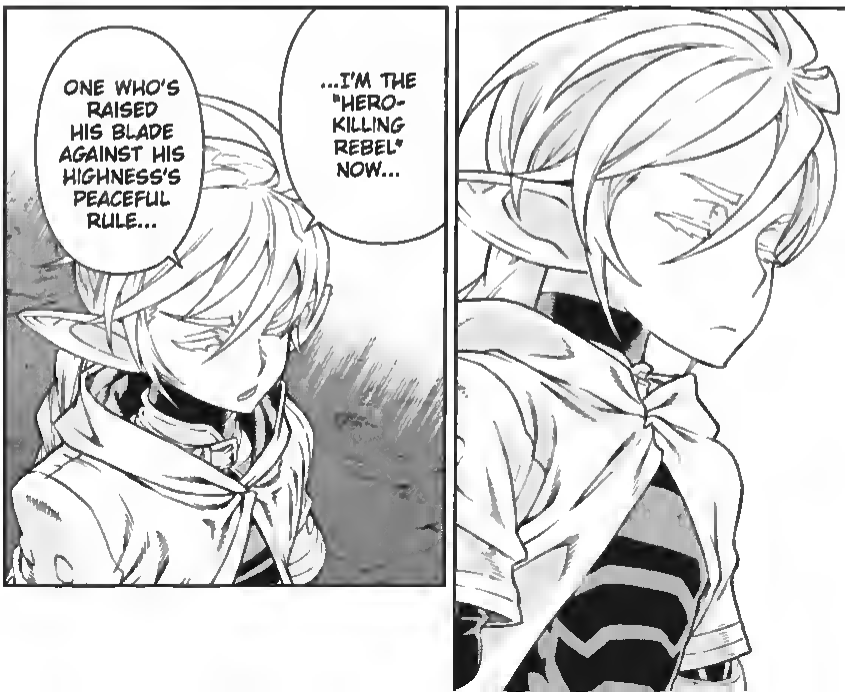
GNODYS .....
JUST NOW...
DID YOU SEE HIS TECH-NIQUE .....?
.....
BASA (FLAP)
!!
YES.

DEGETA!!
GNODYS... I KNOW THAT YOU...
...WILL EVENTU-ALLY.....

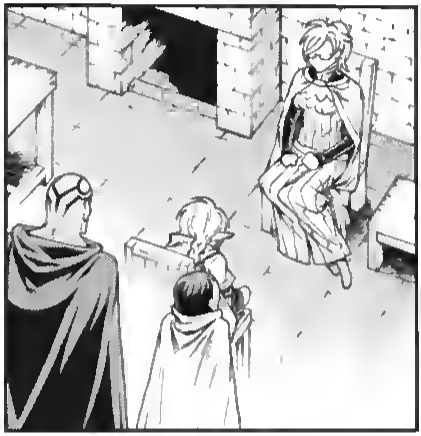
I CAN TELL, YOU KNOW...
EVEN IF YOUR APPEARANCE HAS CHANGED...
SO WHY...?

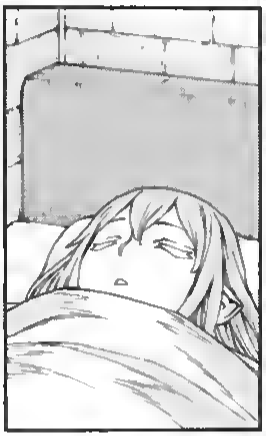
THAT YOU WERE ASCHERIIT...
WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME...?
WHEN WE MET THAT TIME...

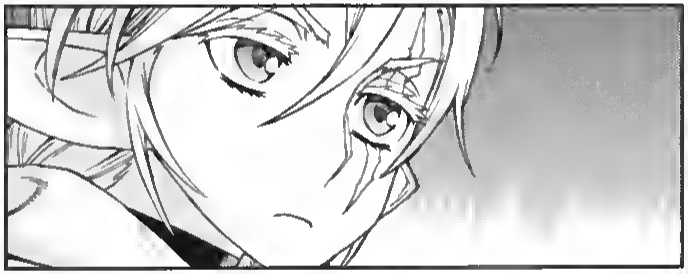
THAT YOU HAD COME HOME...!

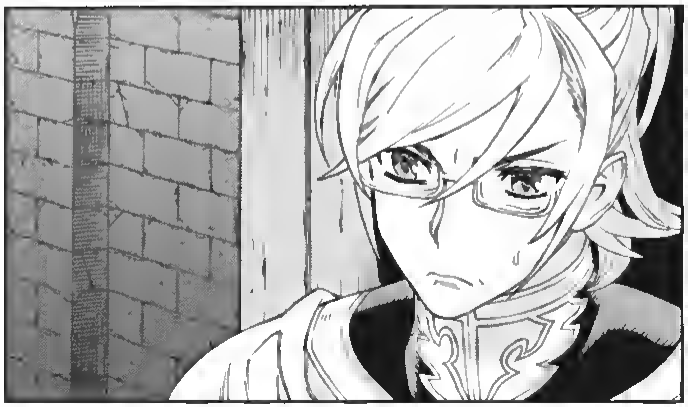

ONE WHO'S RAISED HIS BLADE AGAINST HIS HIGHNESS'S PEACEFUL RULE...
...I'M THE "HERO-KILLING REBEL" NOW...

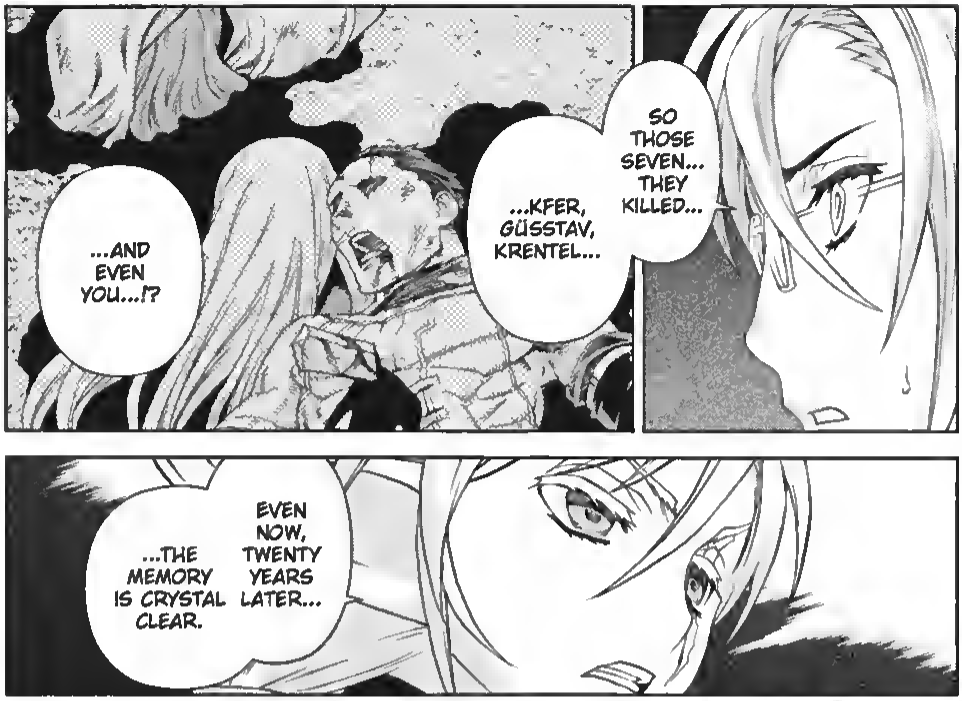
YOU SHOULD HAVE RETURNED TO ME...
I AM AND WILL ALWAYS BE YOUR MASTER, ASCHERIIT.
I WOULD HAVE CONSIDERED WHETHER OR NOT YOU WERE IN THE RIGHT...
...AND JUDGED YOU MYSELF...
THE GOOD AND THE BAD...
YOU SHOULD HAVE EXPLAINED EVERYTHING THAT'S HAPPENED ON YOUR TRAVELS.





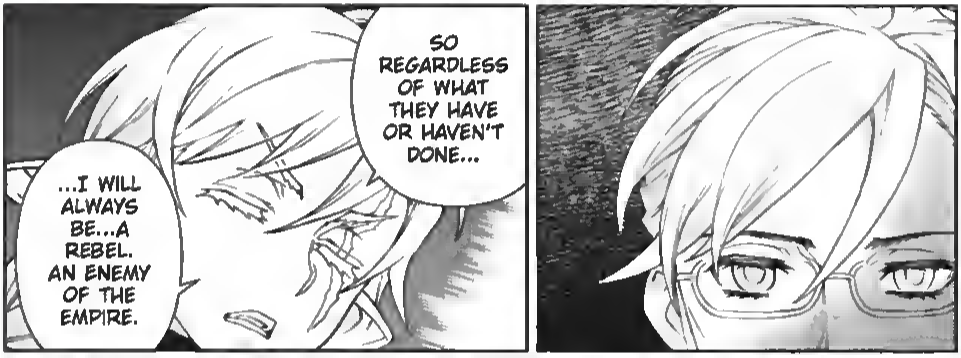





...AND EVEN YOU...!?
...KFER, GÜSSTAV, KRENTEL...
SO THOSE SEVEN... THEY KILLED...
...THE MEMORY IS CRYSTAL CLEAR.
EVEN NOW, TWENTY YEARS LATER...

...AND THE MAD LAUGHTER OF THOSE SEVEN...!!
THE SCREAMS OF THE OTHER THREE AS THEY WERE SLAUGH-TERED.....
THE PAIN I FELT THAT DAY...
THE SADNESS...
THE DESPAIR...

THAT'S WHY I WILL KILL THE SEVEN MYSELF.
EVEN IF IT MEANS THROWING THE EMPIRE INTO CHAOS.
THAT THOUGHT HAS KEPT ME ALIVE.


SO REGARDLESS OF WHAT THEY HAVE OR HAVEN'T DONE...
...I WILL ALWAYS BE...A REBEL. AN ENEMY OF THE EMPIRE.

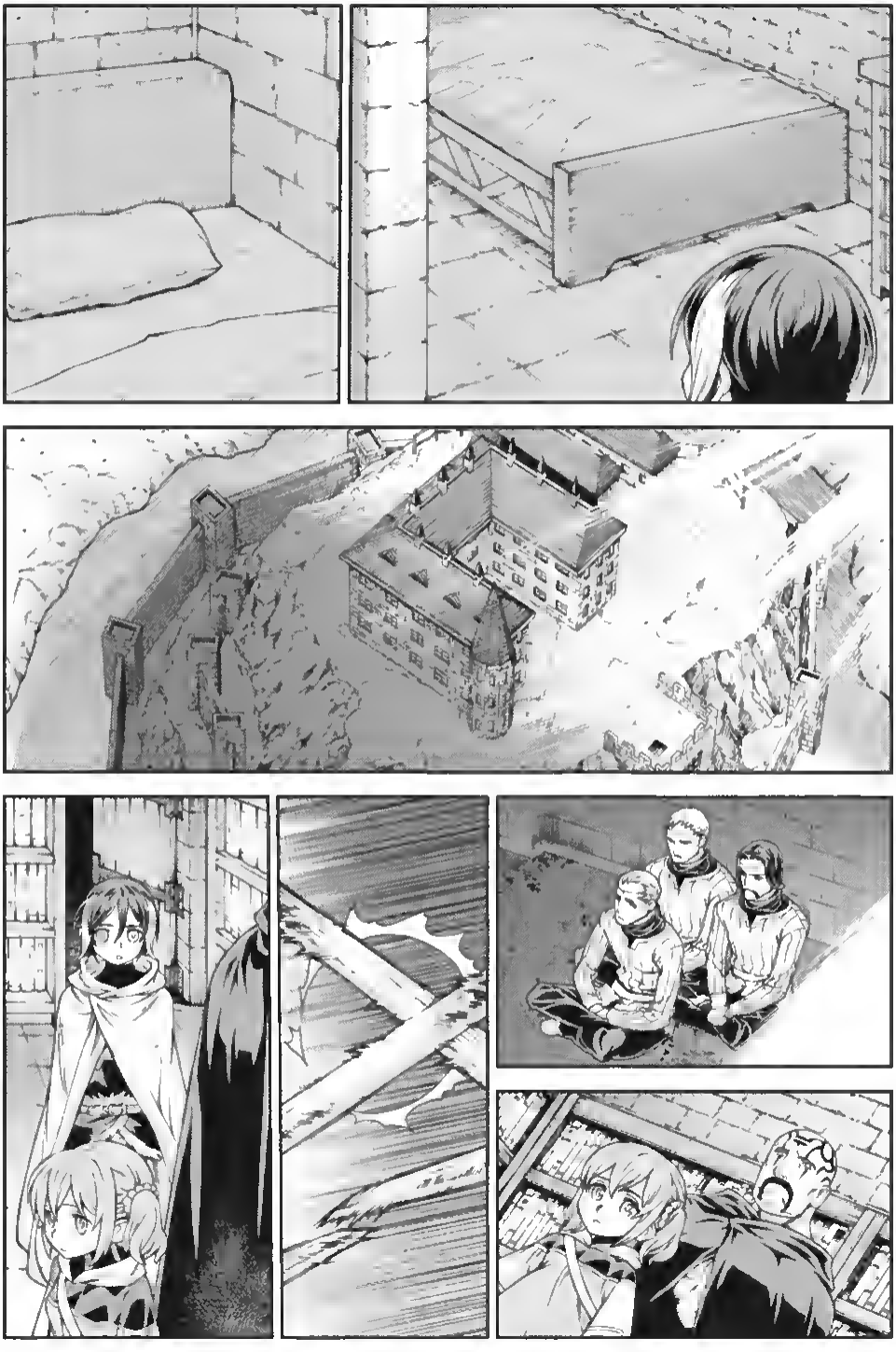
NOW ONLY TWO REMAIN...
GLENN AND ISCHÜDIEN WILL DIE BY MY HAND.

WILL YOU...
...TRY TO STOP ME...?
MASTER GLEA?
I HOPE WE CAN SPEND MORE TIME SWAPPING STORIES OF THESE PAST SEVERAL YEARS...
WE'LL HAVE SOME DRINKS AND SLEEP ON IT.
THAT WILL BE ENOUGH FOR TODAY.
.....
I...
I'LL THINK ON IT MORE TOMORROW.
THIS ISN'T A CONCLUSION TO BE REACHED HASTILY...

!
LITTLE AHT.
I TAKE IT YOU CAN'T SLEEP EITHER?
I'M KEEPING GUARD.

THAT WOMAN .....
...MAY TRY TO KILL KÖINZELL IN HIS SLEEP.
I KNOW.
.....
HIS MASTER SEEMS LIKE SUCH A NICE LADY, THOUGH.
HOW DO YOU KNOW!?
NO. I DON'T THINK SHE'LL MAKE AN ATTEMPT ON LITTLE KÖINZELL'S LIFE.
IT'S BECAUSE SHE'S SO DAMN "GOOD" AND "UP-STANDING" .....
...THAT SHE WOULD TRY TO PUT A STOP TO KÖINZELL...!
.....
MAIDEN'S INTUITION.

GA
(KLANG)
KA
KÖIN-
ZELL
!?
!



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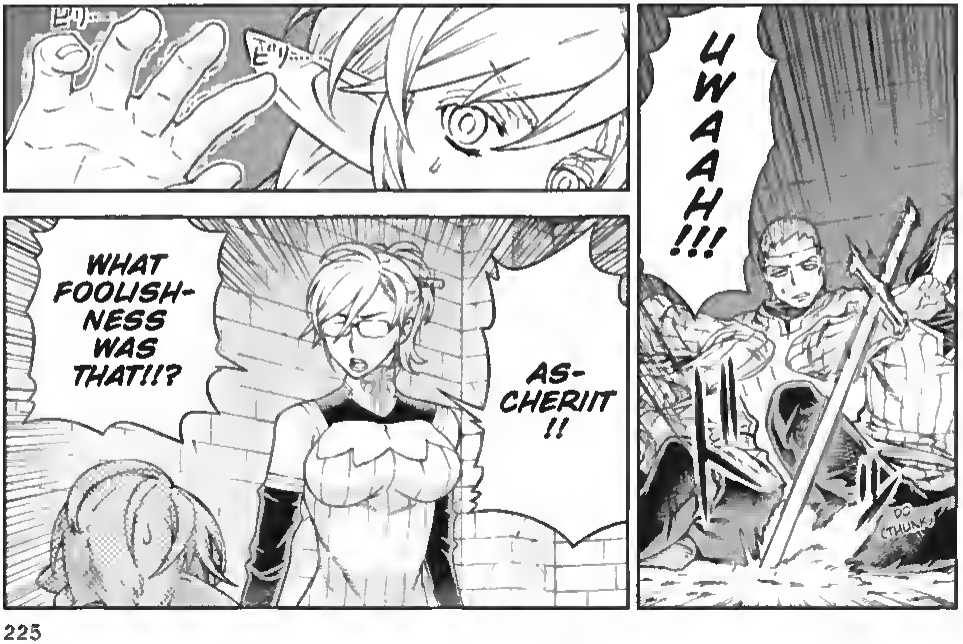

MY CURRENT BODY IS UNSTABLE IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE...
IT'S NOT SUITED TO DUAL-WIELDING.
THE FLOW OF ENERGY WITHIN ME HAS ALSO CHANGED, THANKS TO THE MOON'S INFLUENCE...
YOU LET YOURSELF BE WHIPPED AROUND BY THE SWORDS' WEIGHT!
THE BLADES HARDLY SEEMED AN EXTENSION OF YOUR OWN BODY!
SHE'S ALL MAD AT KÖINZELL ...
.....
RIGHT .....
ENOUGH EXCUSES !!
I HAD HOPED THAT, UPON RETURNING AFTER SO LONG, YOU MIGHT HAVE GROWN INTO AN EVEN MORE AMAZING SWORDSMAN.
BUT ALL YOU HAVE TO SHOW ME IS THIS CRUDE EXCUSE FOR SWORDPLAY!!
AFTER ALL THE TROUBLE I WENT TO, FORGING YOU INTO ONE WORTHY OF THE TITLE OF BLATT MEISTER...

.....HOW MANY YEARS YOU BEEN HERE AT THE HALL OF SWORDS?
THREE.
THIS IS MY EIGHTH.
DON'T GET ME WRONG, I THOUGHT MASTER GLEA WAS A SIGHT FROM THE DAY I ARRIVED, BUT...
...SEEING HER LIKE THIS TODAY...
...SHE'S NEVER BEEN MORE BEAUTIFUL...
YOU ARE IN NEED OF REFORG-ING!!!

I'VE MADE MY DECISION.
ASCHERIIT.
I WILL...
...BE TAKING YOU TO THE IMPERIAL CAPITAL.

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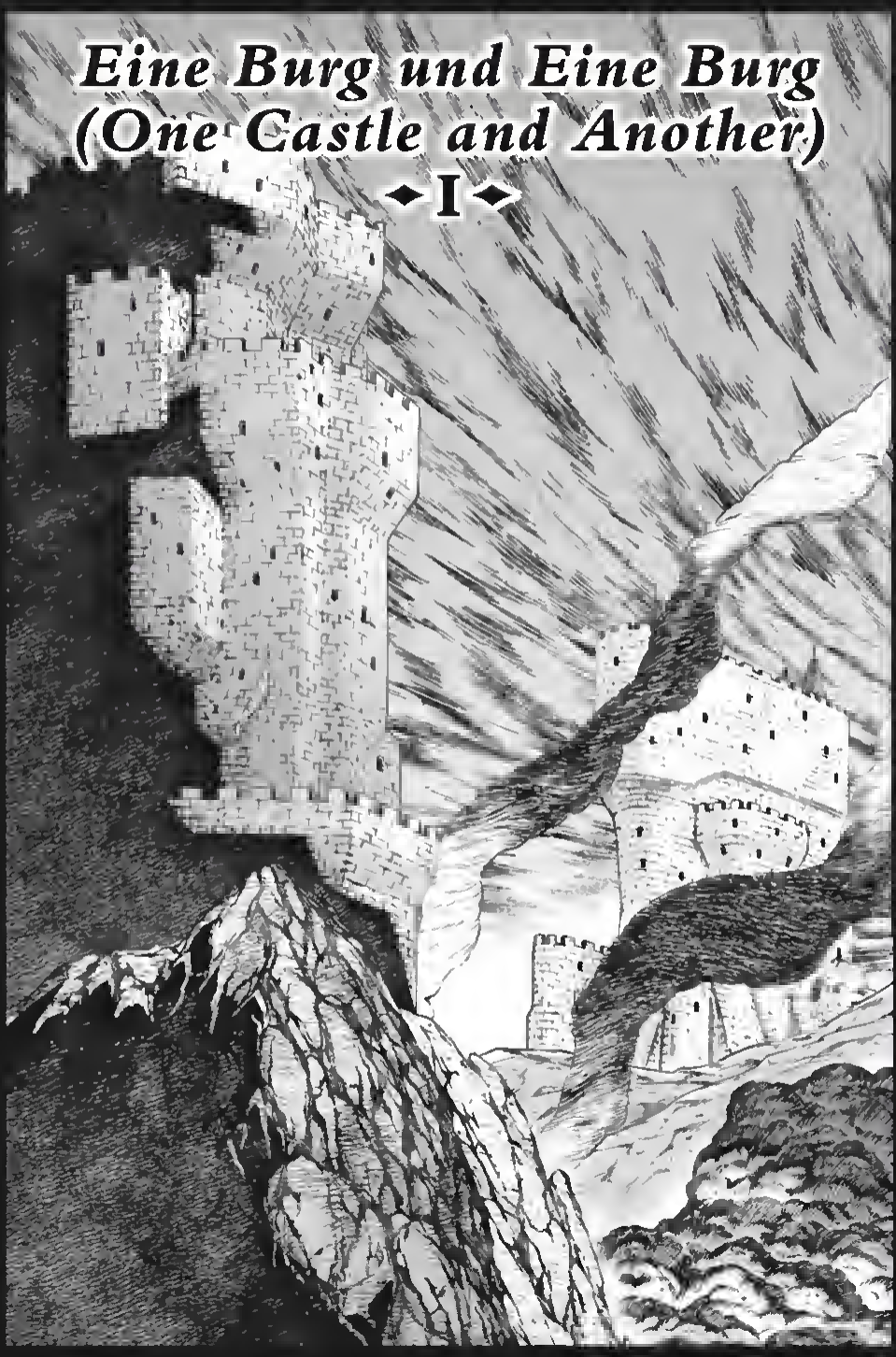
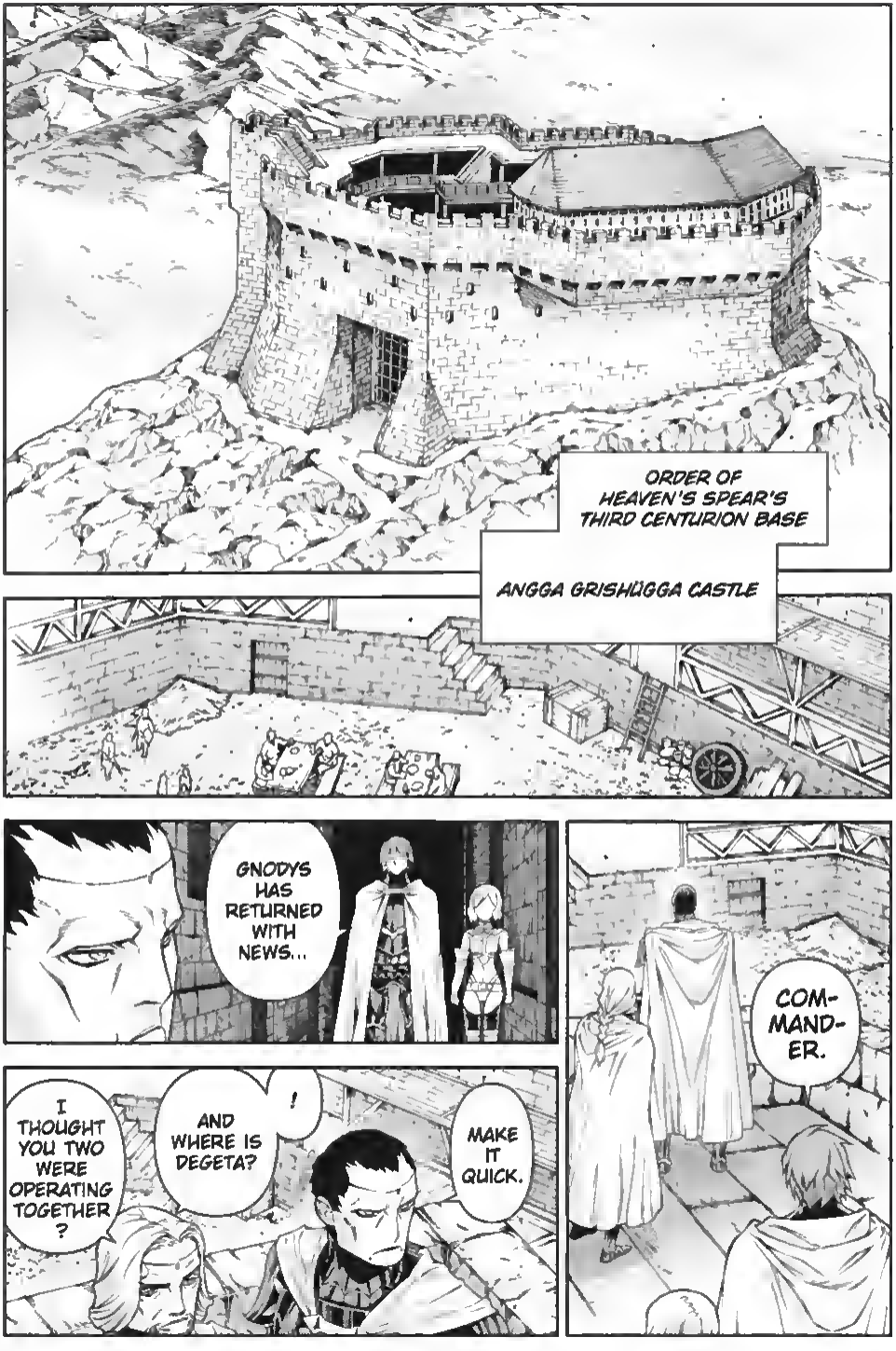
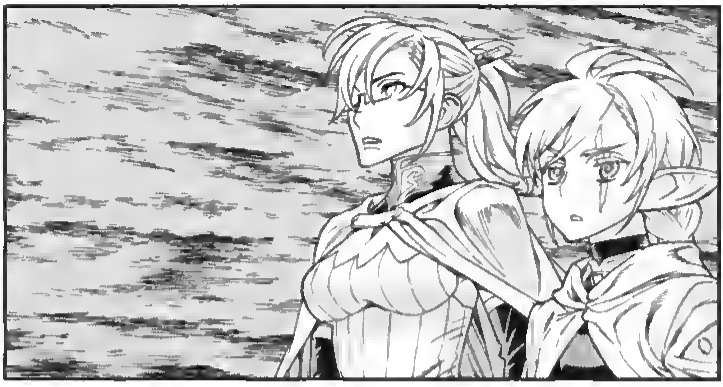
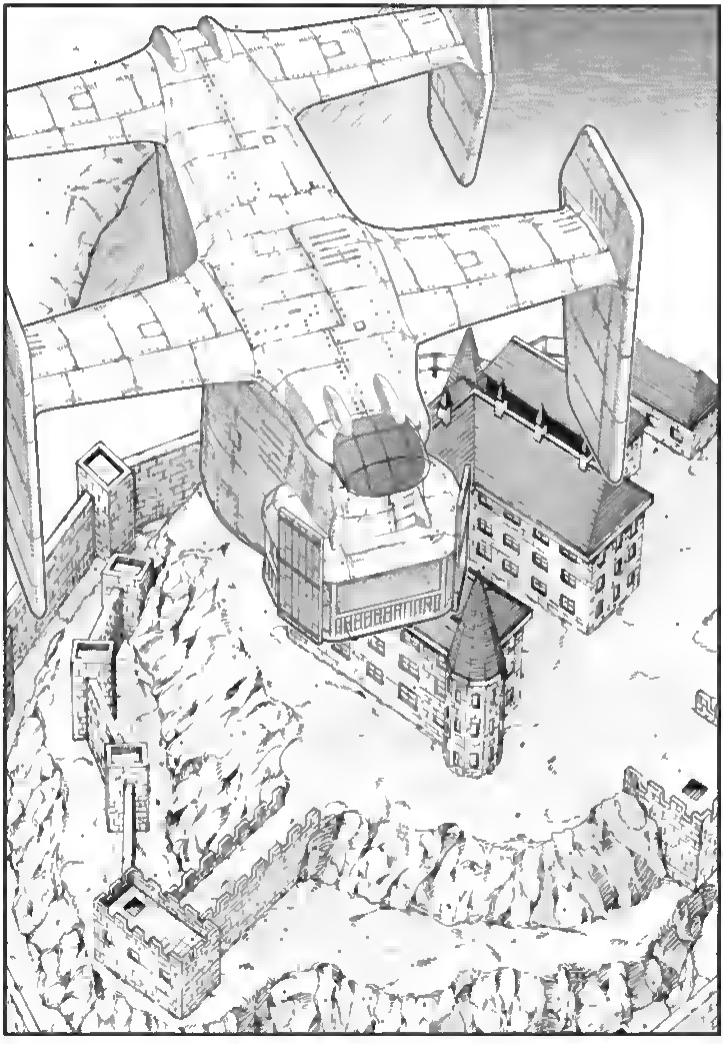

Eine Burg und Eine Burg
(One Castle and Another)
-I-

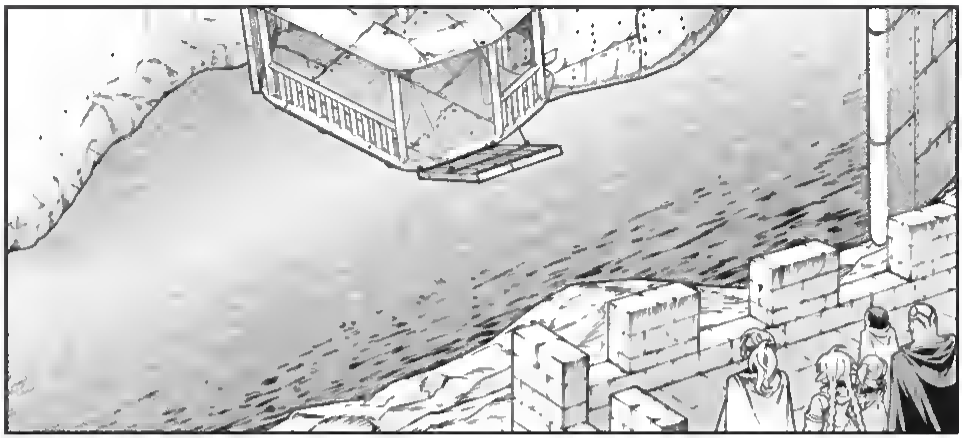

ORDER OF HEAVEN'S SPEAR'S THIRD CENTURION BASE
ANGGA GRISHÜGGA CASTLE
GNODYS HAS RETURNED WITH NEWS...
COM-MAND-ER.
I THOUGHT YOU TWO WERE OPERATING TOGETHER?
AND WHERE IS DEGETA?
!
MAKE IT QUICK.

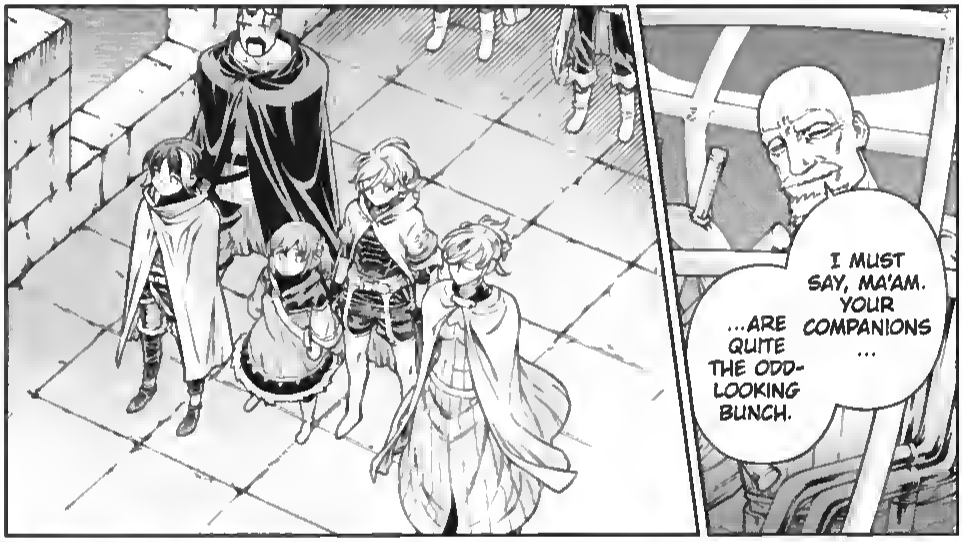
!
SHE WAS KILLED.....!
WE WERE AT THE HALL OF SWORDS' TRAINING GROUNDS, AND THE HERO-KILLER APPEARED...
DEGETA ENGAGED HIM IN BATTLE...
I SEE.
TAKE YOUR LEAVE, THEN.
!!
RIGHT .....
SHE REFUSED .....
DID YOU SAY THE HERO-KILLER .....!?
I ASSUME MASTER GLEA DID NOT ACCEPT OUR INVITATION, THEN?

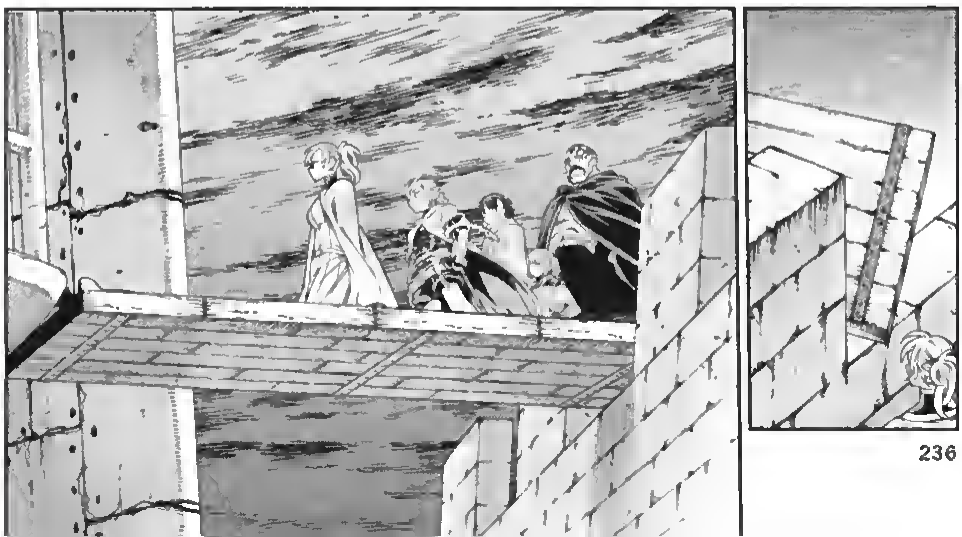
.....
IF THAT IS ALL SHE AMOUNTED TO, THEN SO BE IT.
DEGETA WAS JUST KILLED!!
IS THAT ALL YOU HAVE TO SAY.....!?
.....!!
MAKE YOUR PREPARATIONS, GNODYS.
MARQUIS GLENN WILL SOON LEAD US INTO A CRITICAL BATTLE PERSONALLY.








I MUST SAY, MA'AM. YOUR COMPANIONS ...
...ARE QUITE THE ODD-LOOKING BUNCH.

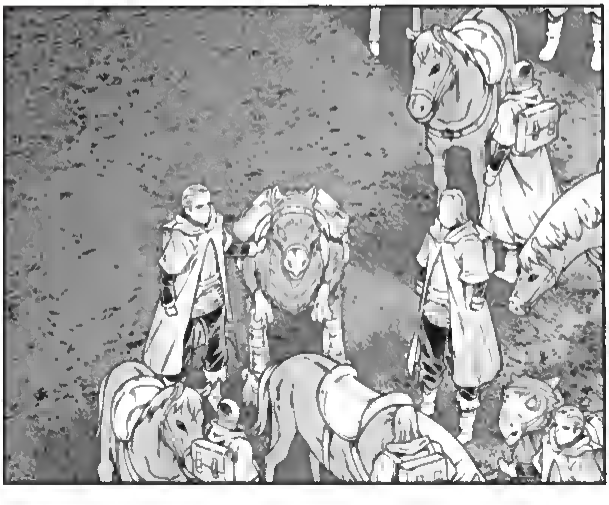


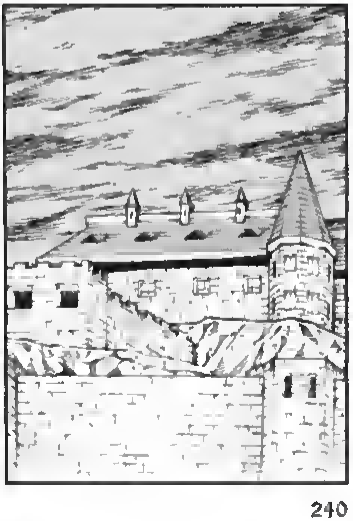
WE'RE ON OUR WAY, ASCHERIIT.
VERY WELL.
TO THE CAPITAL, IF YOU WILL.
.....

AS FOR THE THINGS YOU'VE DONE.....
...I BELIEVE YOU TO BE IN THE RIGHT.
THE REVENGE YOU SEEK...
...DOES NOT SULLY THE EMPIRE...
...NOR THE BLACK WING AND SWORD CREST...
NOR SHOULD IT REFLECT POORLY ON YOUR OWN HONOR...
THAT SAID...
...WHEN IT COMES TO MATTERS CONCERNING YOU.....
...I CAN ACT AS A FAIR AND IMPARTIAL JUDGE.

WHICH IS WHY...
.....
...I WILL HAVE YOU MEET WITH HIS HIGH-NESS...
...TO RECEIVE HIS JUDGMENT.
IT'S A SHAMEFUL DECISION I MAKE, IN SPITE OF MYSELF...
...BUT IT MUST BE DONE.
IT WAS HIS HIGHNESS HIMSELF WHO SENT YOU ON THAT MISSION.
SO NOW THAT YOU'VE FINALLY RETURNED...

...OF ALL THAT OCCURRED.
...YOU OUGHT TO INFORM HIM...





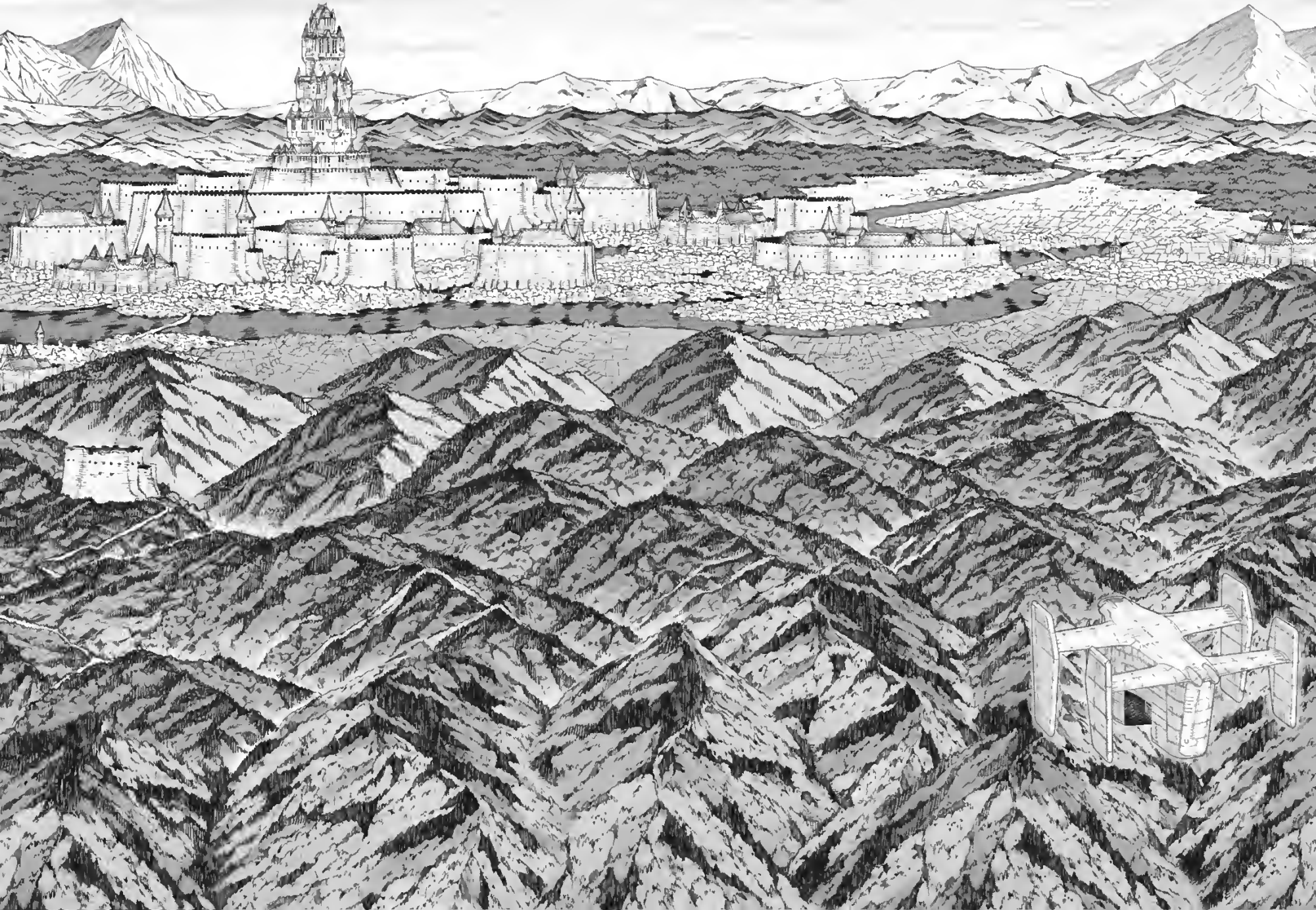
YOU GUYS SHOULD PROBABLY LEAVE THE HALL OF SWORDS FOR NOW.
THE ORDER OF HEAVEN'S SPEAR MIGHT COME SEEKING REVENGE FOR THEIR FALLEN COMRADE.
IS EVERYTHING READY?
YEAH.
AFTER ALL THE YEARS OF TRAINING WE'VE DONE HERE...
IT'S MORE THAN A LITTLE PATHETIC THAT ALL WE CAN DO IS FLEE.
!!?

IT'S HER...!!
GYAAAAAAH!!!
WHERE'S THE DAMN HERO-KILLER!!?

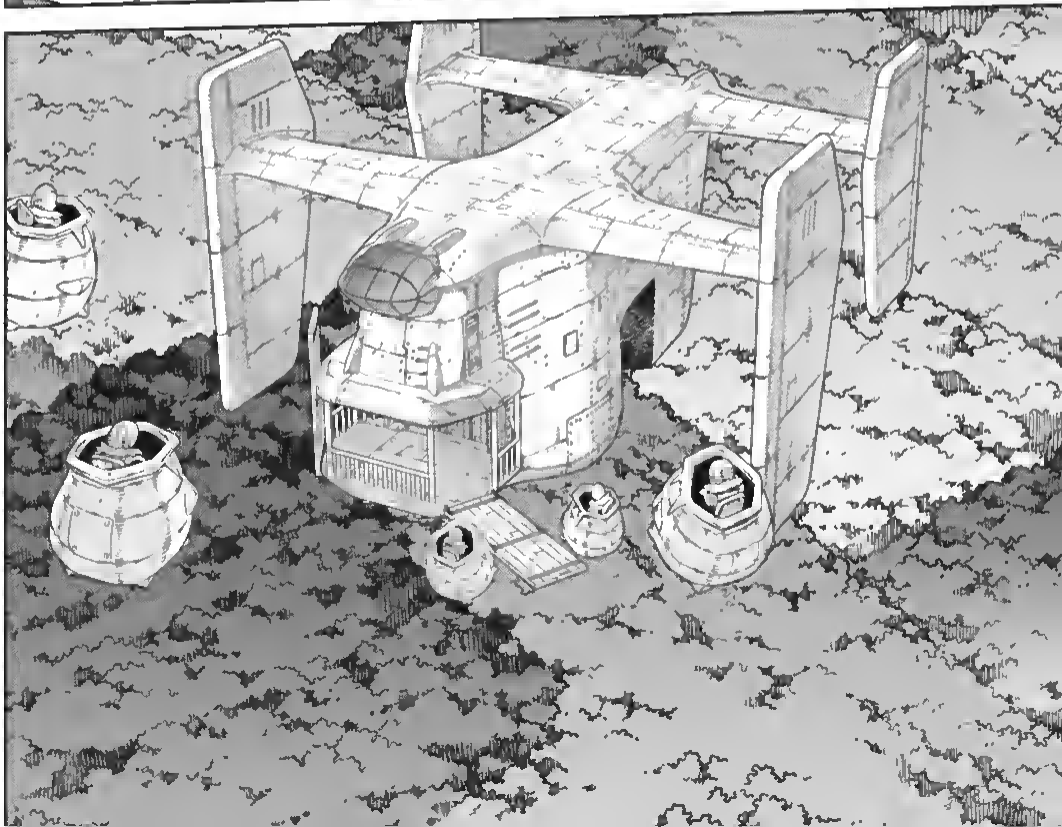
WHERE IS HE!?
TELL ME.
SA
...THEN PREPARE TO DIE!
IF YOU WON'T SAY...

GWAAAAAAH!!!

FOUR DAYS LATER
!
WOWEE ...!



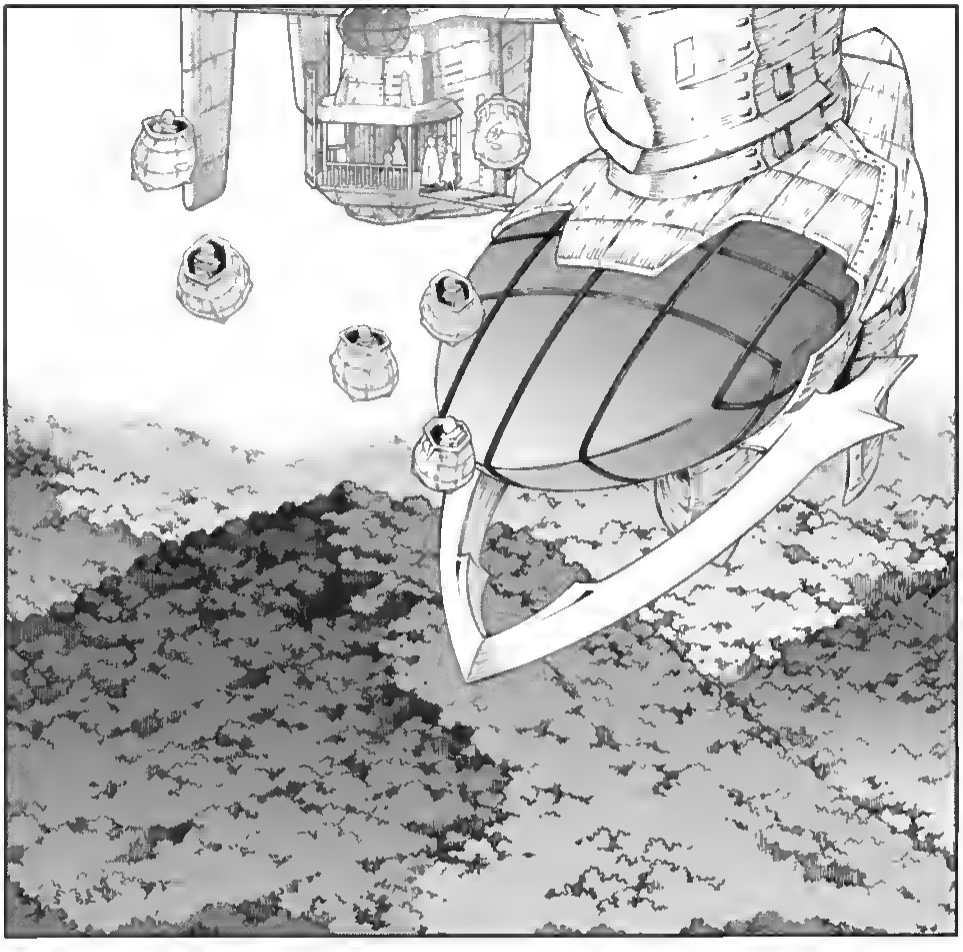
!
LOOKIT THAT! THE CAPITAL'S SO BIG!
HALT !!!
YOU, IN THE AIRSHIP !!

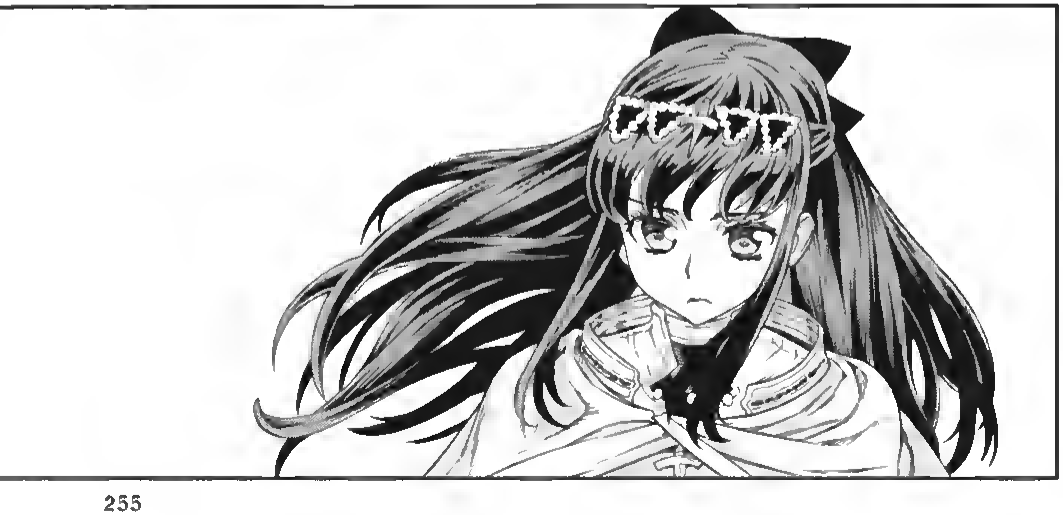


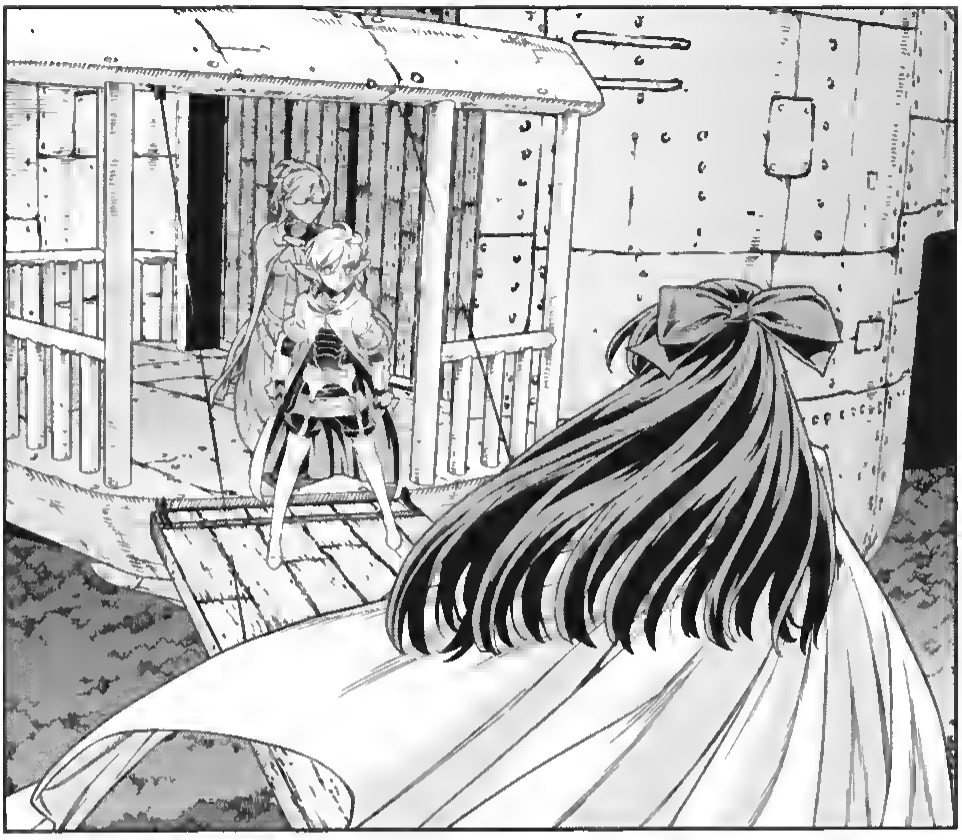
WE'VE BEEN STOPPED BY THE CAPITAL'S BORDER GUARDS.
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
WAIT, NO... THERE'S STILL NO EXCEPTION, EVEN FOR YOU...!
!
ARE YOU REALLY MASTER GLEA!?
GLENN THE REBEL IS AMASSING FOLLOWERS, AND WE HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING WHO'S BETRAYED US ALREADY...!
MARQUIS GLENN IS... I MEAN...
!?
ANOTHER SHIP, IN-COMING! A BIG ONE!
COM-MAND-ER!

THAT'S THE RAHNCLAVE FAMILY CREST...!
THAT'S .....
IT'S ELSARIA'S SHIP!!

!
.....
KÖIN-
ZELL
!!!







I.....
...
HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN .....!

WHAT YOU SAID TO ME...
...BACK IN JEBR.
?
I REALLY SAID ALL THAT?
YES, YOU REALLY DID!!
GA GRAB
"I HOPE...
...WE CAN FIGHT TOGETHER AGAIN. TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE."

AND I AM NOT ABOUT TO...
...FOR A SECOND TIME...
...LET SUCH AN INVALUABLE COMRADE OUT OF MY SIGHT!!!

I AM THE DAUGHTER OF ELECTOR ARCHZALT RAHNCLAVE.
ELSARIA RAHN-CLAVE!!
YOU WILL ALLOW MY FRIENDS AND ME TO PASS UNIMPEDED!!
THAT WON'T BE AN ISSUE, I ASSUME!!?
PL.....
PLEASE GO RIGHT AHEAD.....

I MAY HAVE BEEN TOO LATE TO PREVENT THE CHAOS DURING THE WAR OF HEROES.....
SO WHY ARE YOU MAKING FOR THE CAPITAL...?
...BUT NOW...
...I MUST GET HIS HIGHNESS TO SURRENDER THE THRONE!

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THE ATTACKS FROM WISCHTECH'S FORCES HAVE GROWN FIERCER.
FLAMES OF WAR LICK AT THE BORDER-LANDS, AND THE PEOPLE THERE SUFFER AND STARVE
YOU FOURTEEN BRAVE SOULS...
YOU ALL NOW HOLD HOLY LANCES, FORGED FROM OUR EMPIRE'S TREASURED FAIRYTITE...
...BY BLATT [redacted] ASCHERIIT.
ACCOMPLISH THE TASK SET BEFORE YOU.
AND.....

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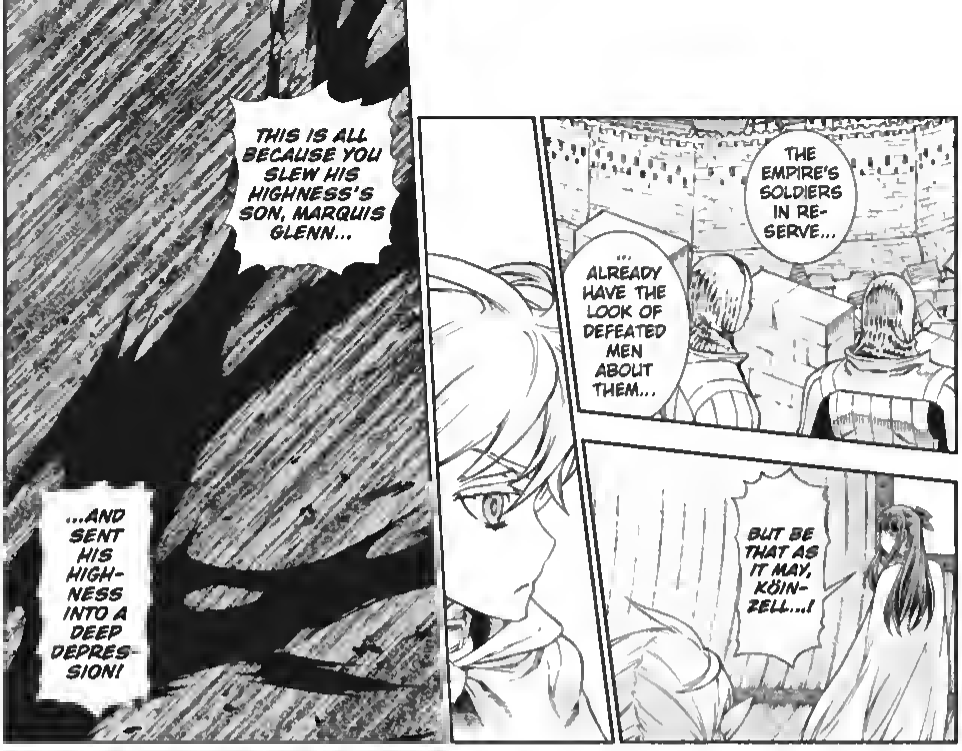
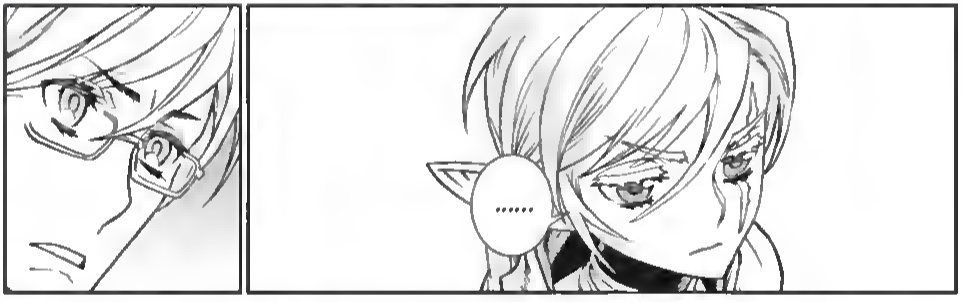
SZAALENT EMPIRE
IMPERIAL CAPITAL: SZAALION
WE WILL PROCEED TO THE CAPITAL IN THIS SHIP!
THANK YOU!
YOU TRULY ARE AMAZING ... ASCHER-IIT. ...

WHAT A PITIFUL SIGHT!
WHEN ON EARTH DID YOU FIND THE TIME TO BEFRIEND...
...ELECTOR RAHNCLAVE'S ESTEEMED DAUGHTER?
...IT'S BEEN REDUCED TO THIS.....
THE CAPITAL IS USUALLY BRIMMING WITH LIFE, FILLED WITH COMMONFOLK AND MERCHANTS FROM EVERY LAND, BUT NOW...
.....
THE COMING WAR THREATENS TO CLEAVE THE EMPIRE IN TWO...
THE MERCHANTS FORMERLY PLEDGED TO MARQUIS LEBELLOND'S CAMPAIGN...
...HAVE BEGUN TO GATHER AT THE SO-CALLED "CAPITAL" THAT KING GLENN IS ERECTING IN THE BORDERLANDS.


THIS IS ALL BECAUSE YOU SLEW HIS HIGHNESS'S SON, MARQUIS GLENN...
...AND SENT HIS HIGHNESS INTO A DEEP DEPRESSION!
THE EMPIRE'S SOLDIERS IN RESERVE...
...ALREADY HAVE THE LOOK OF DEFEATED MEN ABOUT THEM...
BUT BE THAT AS IT MAY, KÖINZELL...!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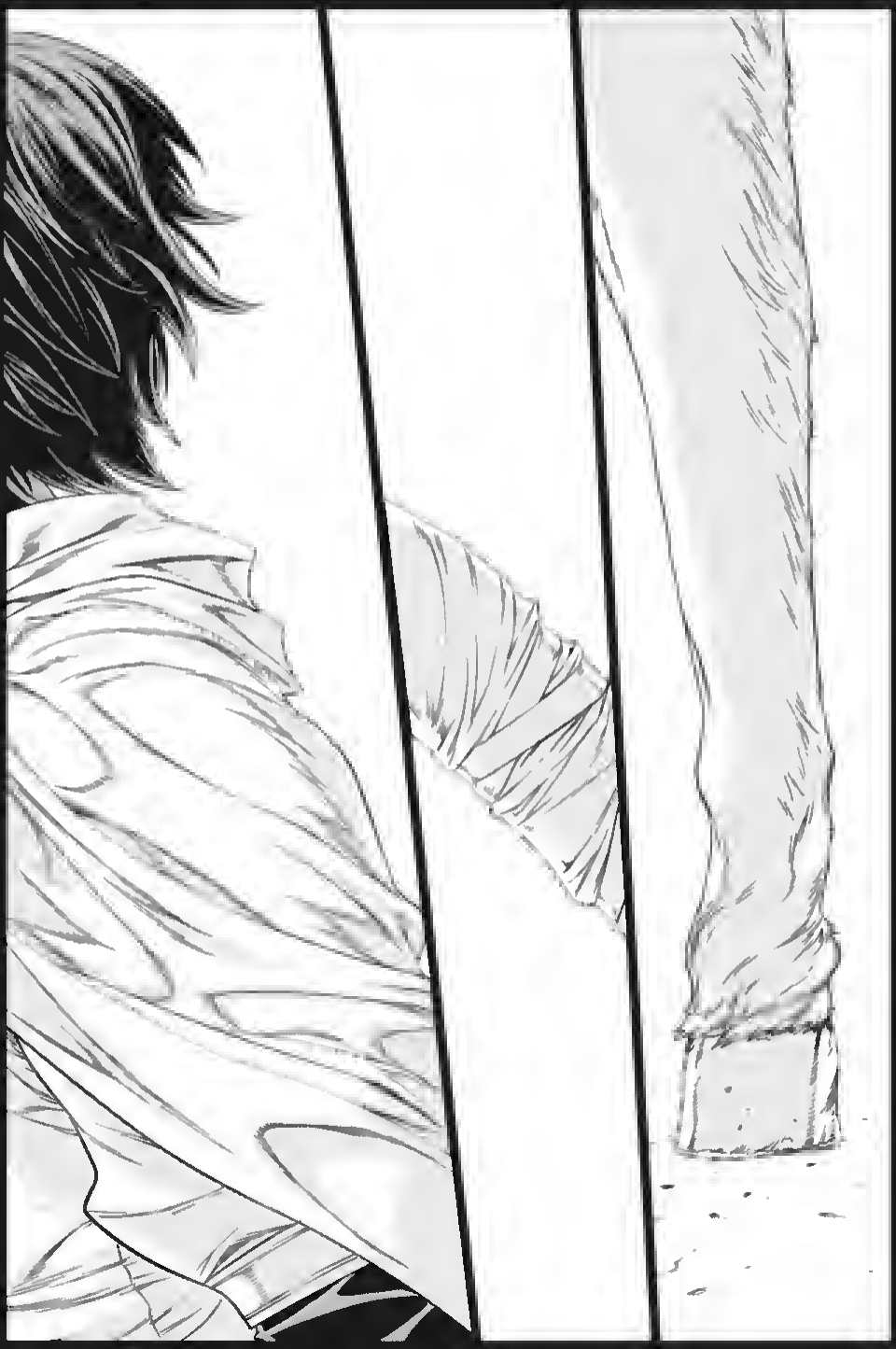
NO, IT IS INDEED KÖINZELL'S FAULT!
KÖINZELL DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WRONG!
YOU DON'T GOTTA PUT IT THAT WAY!

WHICH IS WHY HE WILL TAKE RESPON-SIBILITY ...
...BY AIDING ME IN MY CURRENT MISSION!
.....
...YOU TRULY ARE AMAZING, ASCHERIIT.
WE'RE DOCKING NOW, ELSARIA.

IT'S BEEN AGES SINCE I WAS LAST HERE...
.....
YEAH...
...LONGER FOR YOU, THOUGH.
ASCHERIIT.



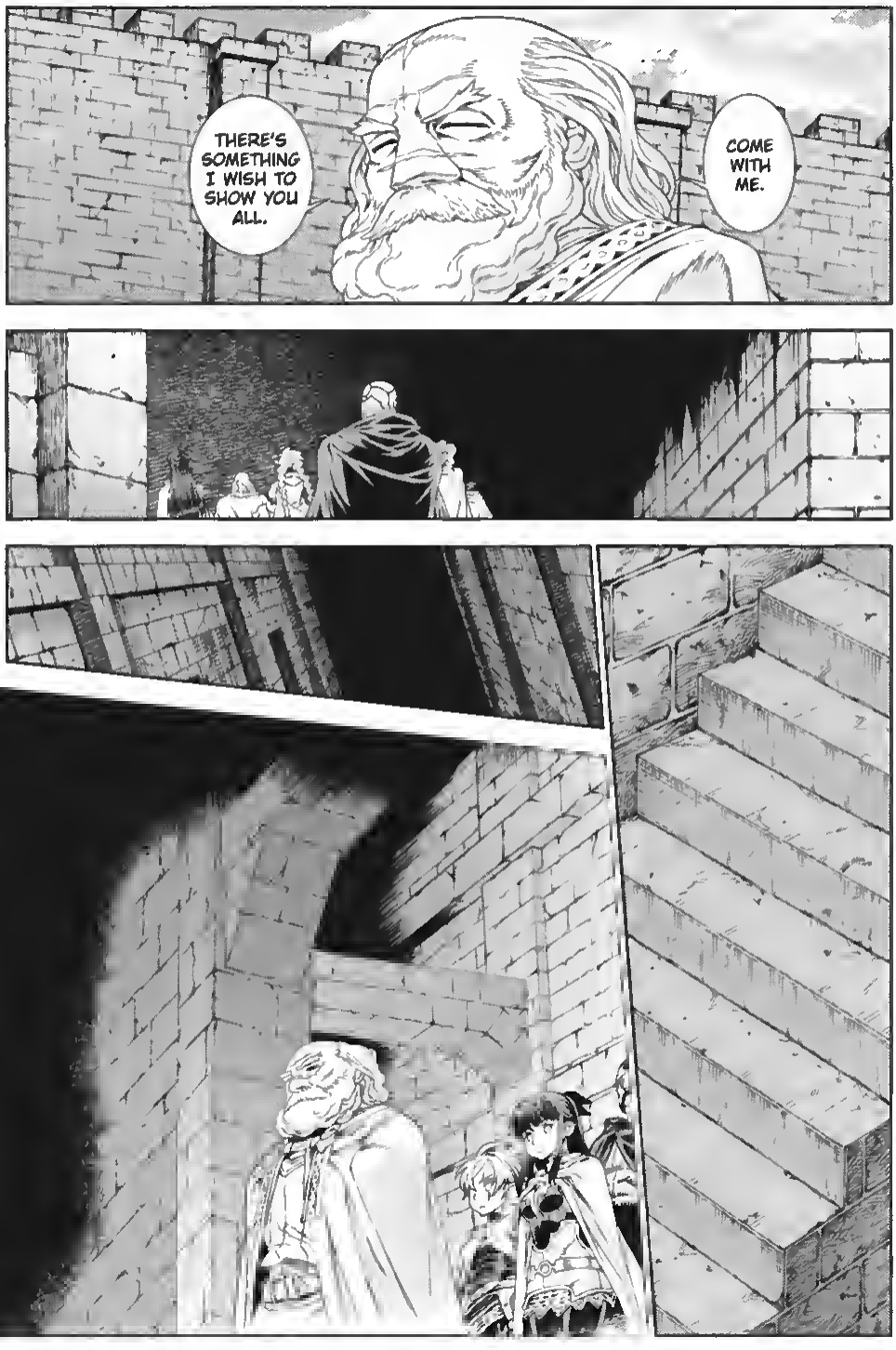
...ARE YOU GLAD TO BE HERE NOW?
I NEVER IMAG-INED...
...I'D EVER RETURN.

TERRI-
FIED?
.....I'M TERRIFIED TO MEET HIS HIGHNESS AFTER ALL THIS TIME.
FOR HIM, THROUGH HIS AGED EYES...
...TO SEE ME NOW, CHANGED AS I AM...
NOTHING COULD BE SCARIER.

ELEC-TOR ARCH-ZALT!
HOW GOOD OF YOU TO COME!!
GENERAL VALZEIL!
AND WHAT A MAG-NIFI-CENT SHIP!
ELSA-RIA!? MY, HOW YOU'VE GROWN!
THE SHIP IS MY DAUGH-TER'S.
!

STRANGE COMPANIONS YOU'VE BROUGHT.
FRIENDS OF YOURS?
LAST TIME I SAW YOU...
...YOU WERE ONLY ABOUT THIS BIG .....!
YOU SEEM TO BE LIKENING ME TO A PUPPY!
MY TROOPS, ACTUALLY!
I HEARD THAT YOU HAD RETIRED FROM SERVICE TO THE EMPIRE SOME TIME AGO...
SO WHY ARE YOU HERE, GENERAL ...?
I SEE, I SEE. ISN'T THAT GOOD FOR YOU, ELSARIA!
I DON'T APPRECIATE THAT TONE!
I'M NO MERE CHILD AT PLAY HERE!

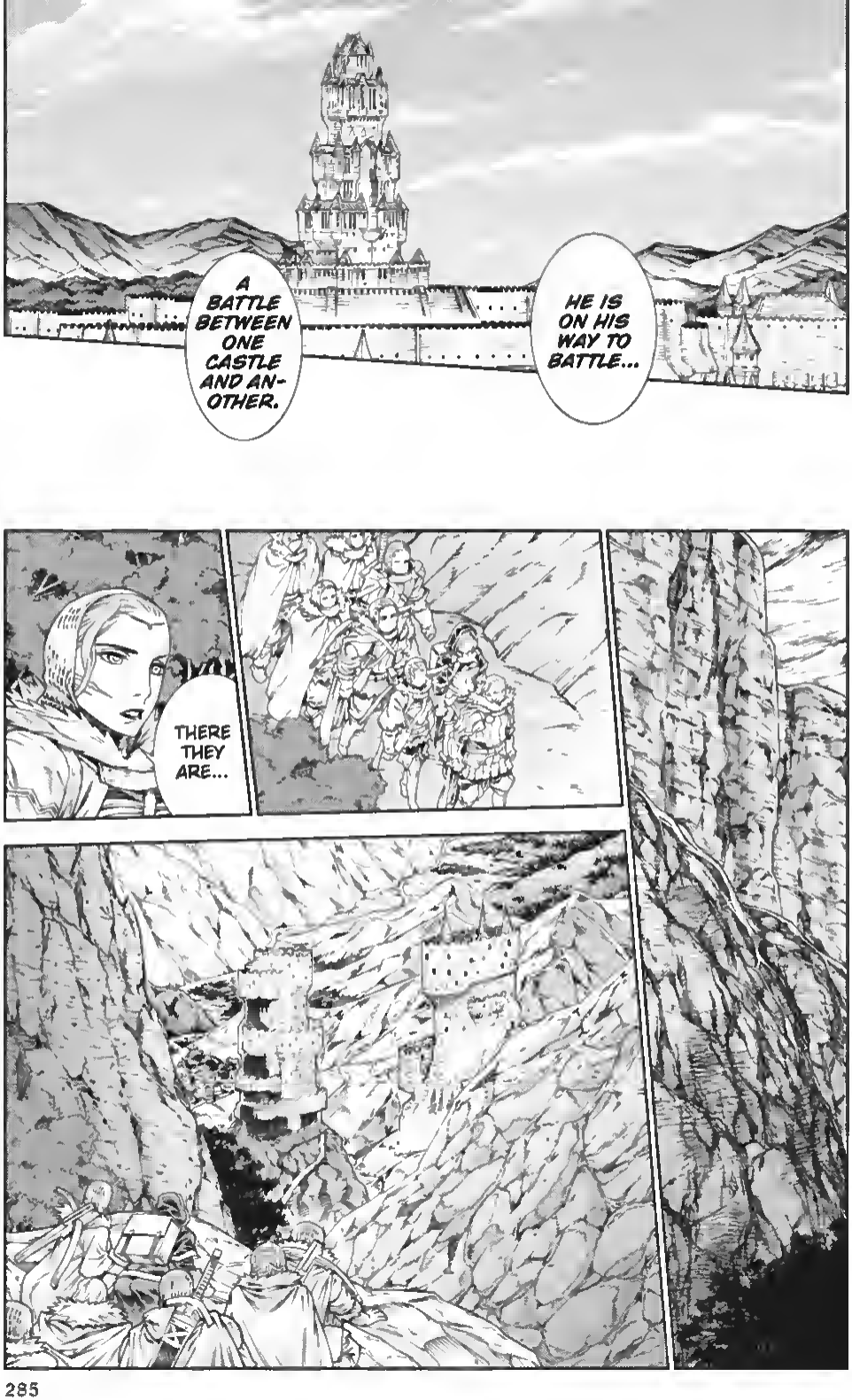
TRUE ENOUGH.
AND WHEN NEWS REACHED ME IN MY HOME TERRITORY...
...OF THAT TRAITOROUS GLENN'S RAMPAGE...
I THOUGHT THAT, IN MY OLD AGE, I HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO ACCEPT MY FATE.
I HAD GIVEN UP...BUT THEN...
...HIS HIGHNESS STOOD TALL ONCE MORE.
SO THIS IS NO TIME FOR ME TO HIDE AT HOME!
HIS HIGHNESS DID WHAT.....!?


THERE'S SOMETHING I WISH TO SHOW YOU ALL.
COME WITH ME.

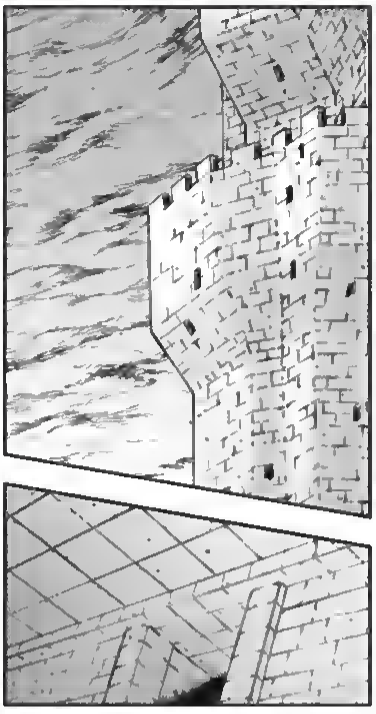
MA-SCHI-NEN-DRACHE .....
...AND MAGIC ARTIL-LERY ...!?
THIS IS...!
HIS HIGHNESS GATHERED THEM UP FROM THROUGHOUT THE EMPIRE
TO DEFEND THE CAPITAL.....

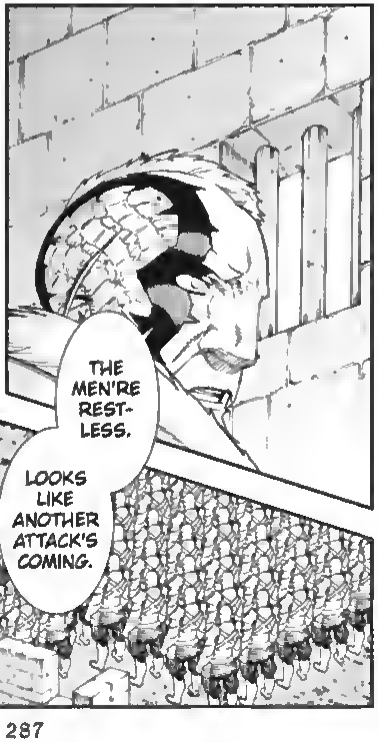
...BY FORCES LED BY HIS HIGHNESS HIMSELF.
...ARE RESOURCES TAKEN BACK FROM GLENN'S TRAITOROUS ALLIES...
AMONG THESE...
AND TO PREPARE FOR THE COUNTER-ATTACK TO COME...!
WHEN I HEARD THE NEWS ... ...I WEPT.
HIS HIGHNESS .....!?
HE'S ONCE AGAIN THE STRONG LEADER HE WAS IN HIS YOUNGER DAYS.....
WHAT'S MORE.....

.....
.....ARE WE TO HAVE AN AUDIENCE WITH HIS HIGHNESS NOW?
HIS HIGHNESS IS NOT ACTUALLY IN THE CAPITAL.
THEN WHERE IS HE...?
...TO FIGHT BACK AGAINST HIS OWN SON.....!!
HE'S AT LAST FOUND THE RESOLVE...


A BATTLE BETWEEN ONE CASTLE AND ANOTHER.
HE IS ON HIS WAY TO BATTLE...
THERE THEY ARE...

ZAAFIA CASTLE AND SORRNGDO CASTLE.
Sorrngdo
Zaafia
IF ZAAFIA FALLS TO THE TRAITOR, GLENN...
...SO WILL THE CAPITAL...
CAN WE REALLY HOPE TO DEFEND ZAAFIA WITH SO FEW OF US...?
CAN WE DEFEND THE CASTLE?
WHAT A FOOLISH QUESTION!




THE MEN'RE RESTLESS.
LOOKS LIKE ANOTHER ATTACK'S COMING.

NO, WE WILL TAKE DOWN SORRNGDO.
THERE IS NO OTHER ROUTE TO VICTORY !!

WHICH SIDE D'YOU FEEL LIKE BACKING?
BLATT MEISTER?

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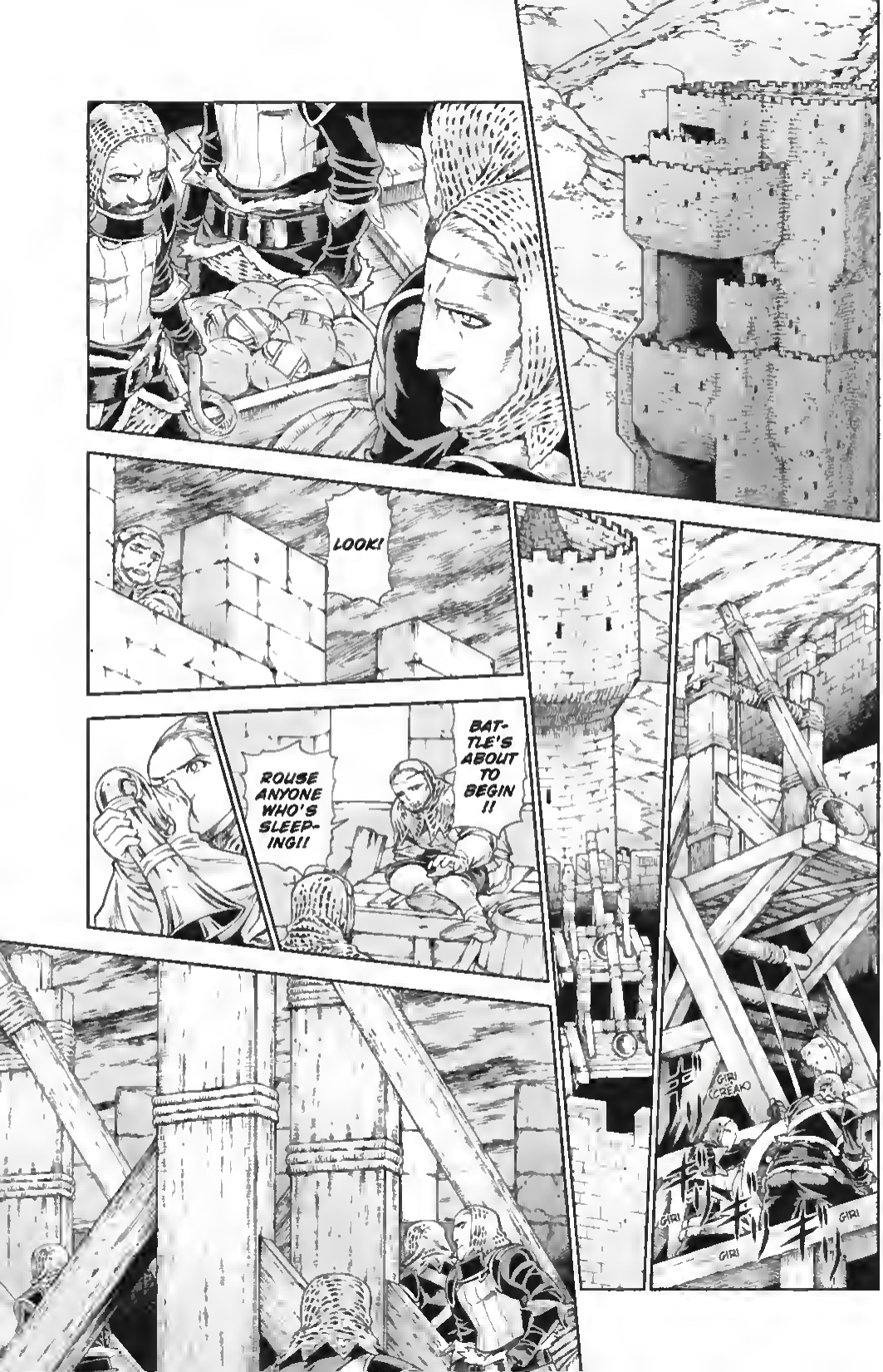
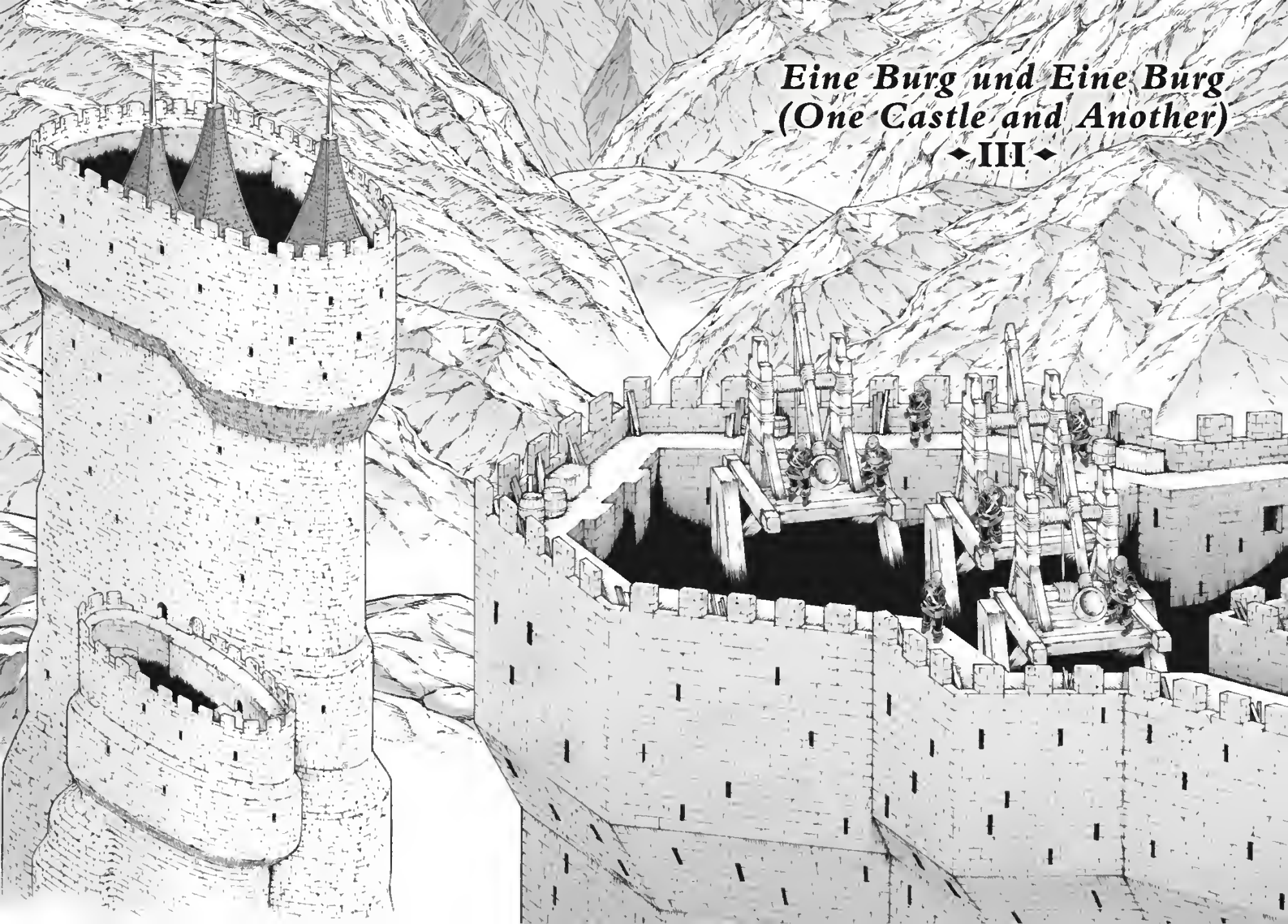

LOOK!
ROUSE ANYONE WHO'S SLEEPING!!
BATTLE'S ABOUT TO BEGIN!!
GIRI GREAK
GIRI
GIRI
GIRI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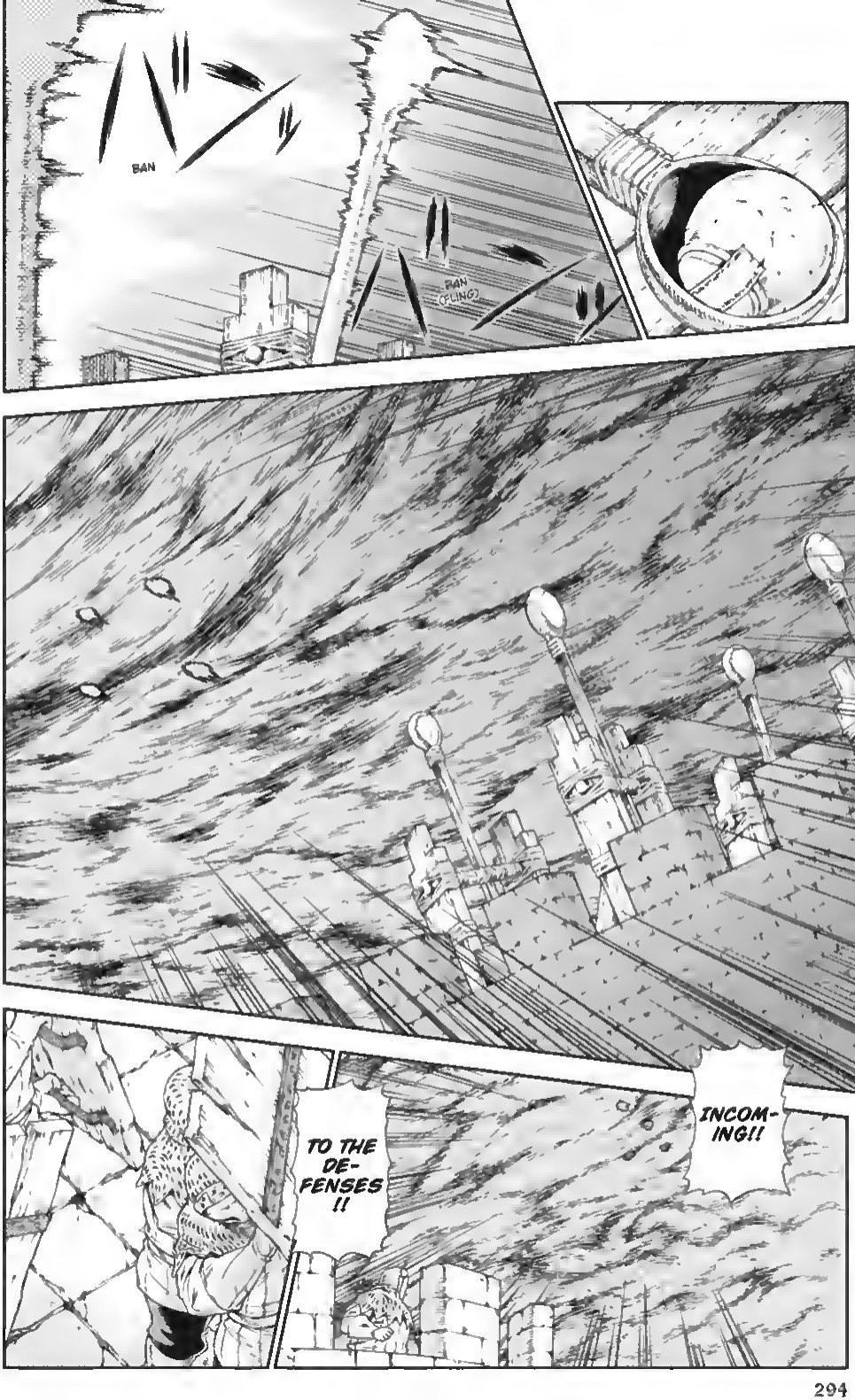
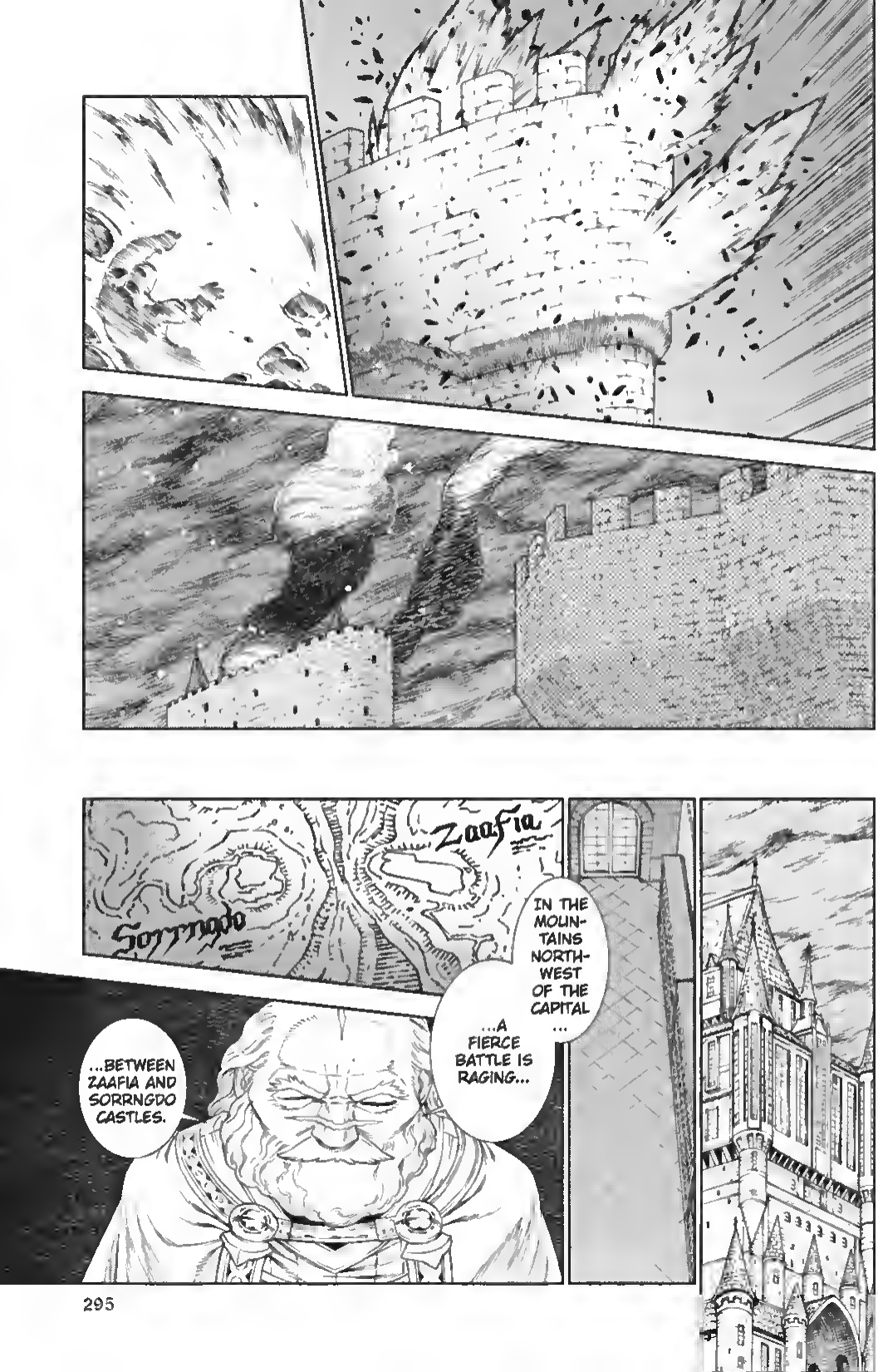

BAN
BAN (FLING)
TO THE DE-FENSES !!
INCOM-ING!!


Zaafia
Sorrngdo
IN THE MOUNTAINS NORTHWEST OF THE CAPITAL...
...A FIERCE BATTLE IS RAGING...
...BETWEEN ZAAFIA AND SORRNGDO CASTLES.

THOSE TWO ARE A PAIR OF SOLIDLY BUILT FORTRESSES ...
... UNDER DIRECT CONTROL OF THE IMPERIAL ARMY.
CORNERSTONES OF THE CAPITAL'S DEFENSE.
A FIGHT BETWEEN CASTLES, IS IT?
INDEED.
HOWEVER ...
SORRNGDO RECENTLY FELL TO MARQUIS GENANDIX.
!

HE'S BETRAYED THE EMPIRE AND ALLIED HIMSELF WITH GLENN.
SO HE'S WITH GLENN NOW TOO...
HE'S A STRONG ONE.
NOT SOMEONE I'D CHOOSE AS AN ENEMY.
BOTH FOUGHT IN THE GREAT WAR.
...BEFORE GENANDIX BRINGS THE FIGHT HERE TO THE CAPITAL...
AT THIS POINT, IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME...

BUT MARQUIS ZEMALFAR TOOK ALL HIS SOLDIERS...
...AND OCCUPIED ZAAFIA CASTLE.
FROM THERE, HE'S WITHSTOOD VOLLEY AFTER VOLLEY FROM GENANDIX'S FORCES.
FOR THE PAST TWO MONTHS, THOSE TWO HAVE BEEN ASSAULTING ONE ANOTHER'S CASTLES.
IT'S A COMPLETE STALEMATE.
A STALEMATE THAT'S THANKFULLY KEPT WAR OUT OF THE CAPITAL IN THE MEAN-TIME...
BUT WHO CAN SAY HOW LONG IT WILL LAST...?
INCIDEN-TALLY, MASTER GLEA...

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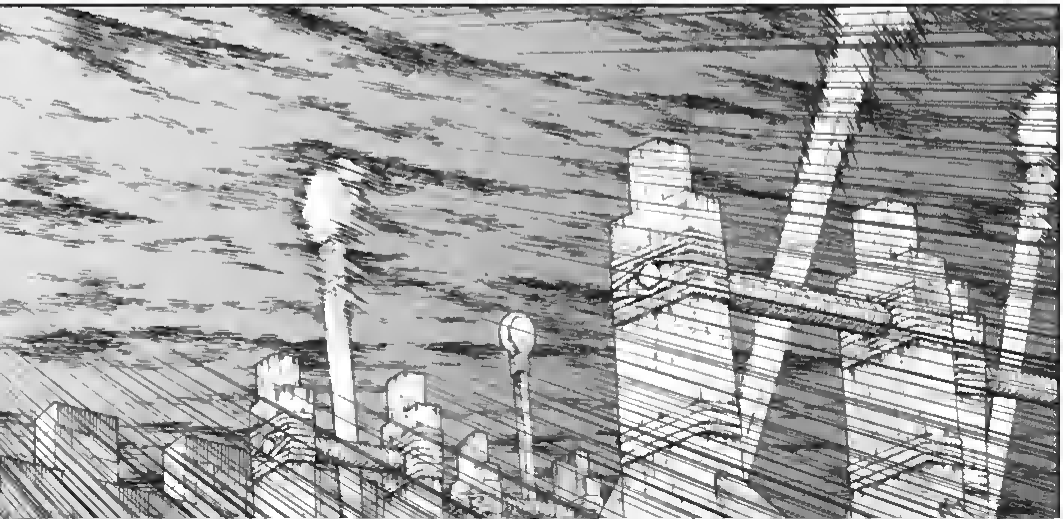
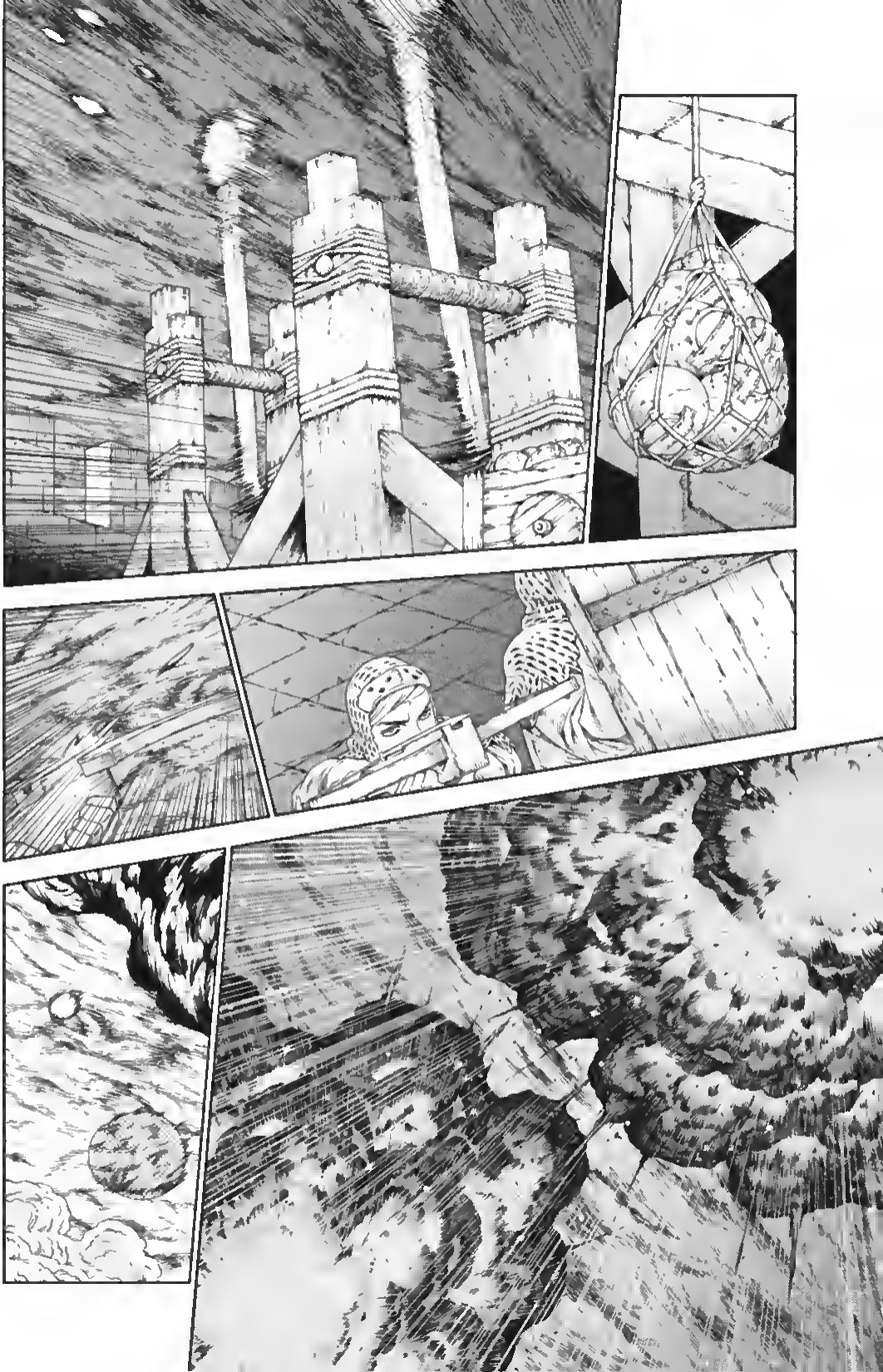
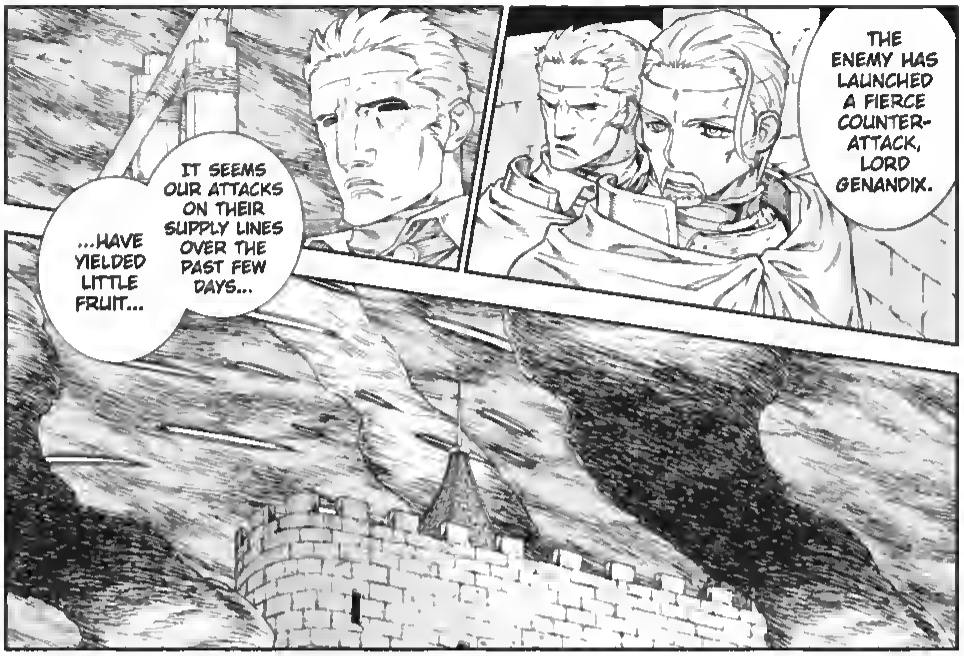
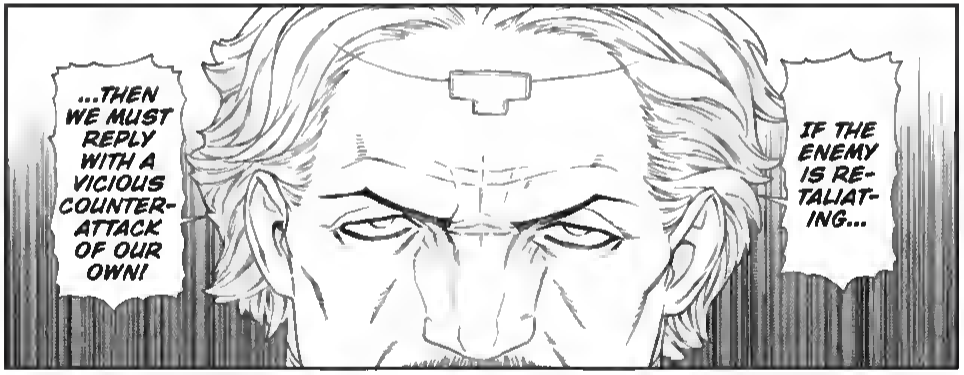
FEIS
.....!?
...IS
IMPRISONED
WITHIN
SORRNGDO
CASTLE.
...THE
BLATT
MEISTER
...
YOUR
APPREN-
TICE...





WELL? HOW GOES IT?

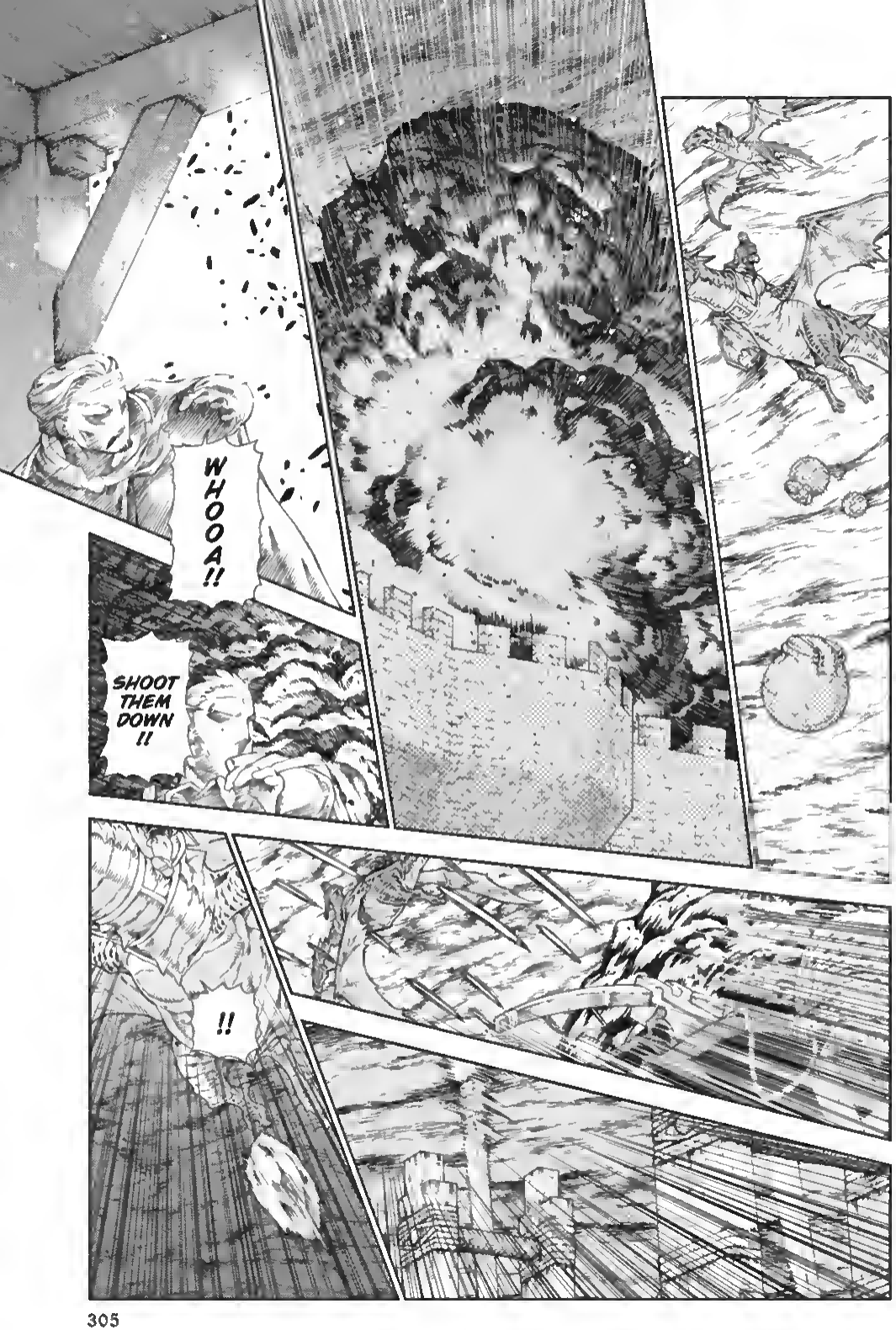

THE ENEMY HAS LAUNCHED A FIERCE COUNTER-ATTACK, LORD GENANDIX.
IT SEEMS OUR ATTACKS ON THEIR SUPPLY LINES OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS...
...HAVE YIELDED LITTLE FRUIT...


IF THE ENEMY IS RE-TALIAT-ING...
...THEN WE MUST REPLY WITH A VICIOUS COUNTER-ATTACK OF OUR OWN!

DO IT!
TODAY IS THE DAY THAT ZAAFIA CASTLE FALLS!!

AFTER SPENDING TWO FULL MONTHS ON THIS PATHETIC SKIRMISH...
...OF COURSE I'M WORKED UP!
FA-THER
YOU'RE TOO WORKED UP.....
DAMN YOU, ZEMAL-FAR...!
WE HAVE TO SHOW HIM OUR VALUE TO THE EMPIRE BY WINNING THIS FIGHT.....!
...IN THE NEW WORLD THAT KING GLENN SEEKS TO BUILD.
THIS IS ALL TO SECURE A STRONG POST...
THE VOLLEYS FROM SORRNGDO SEEM TO BE ABATING...
... MARQUIS ZEMAL-FAR.

GOOD.
SEND OUT THE DRAGON SQUAD!!
SCORCH THE TIP OF GENANDIX'S FOOLISH NOSE WITH SOME THUNDER CHARGES !!


WHOOA!!
SHOOT THEM DOWN !!
!!

(WHIMP)
ZA
(STEP)
!?

WHICH SIDE DO YOU FIGHT FOR?
WELL, IT MATTERS NOT.
.....
WHO ARE YOU ...?
NO. LEAVE HIM BE.
!?
NOW THAT YOU'VE SPOTTED US...
...WE CAN'T VERY WELL LET YOU LIVE.

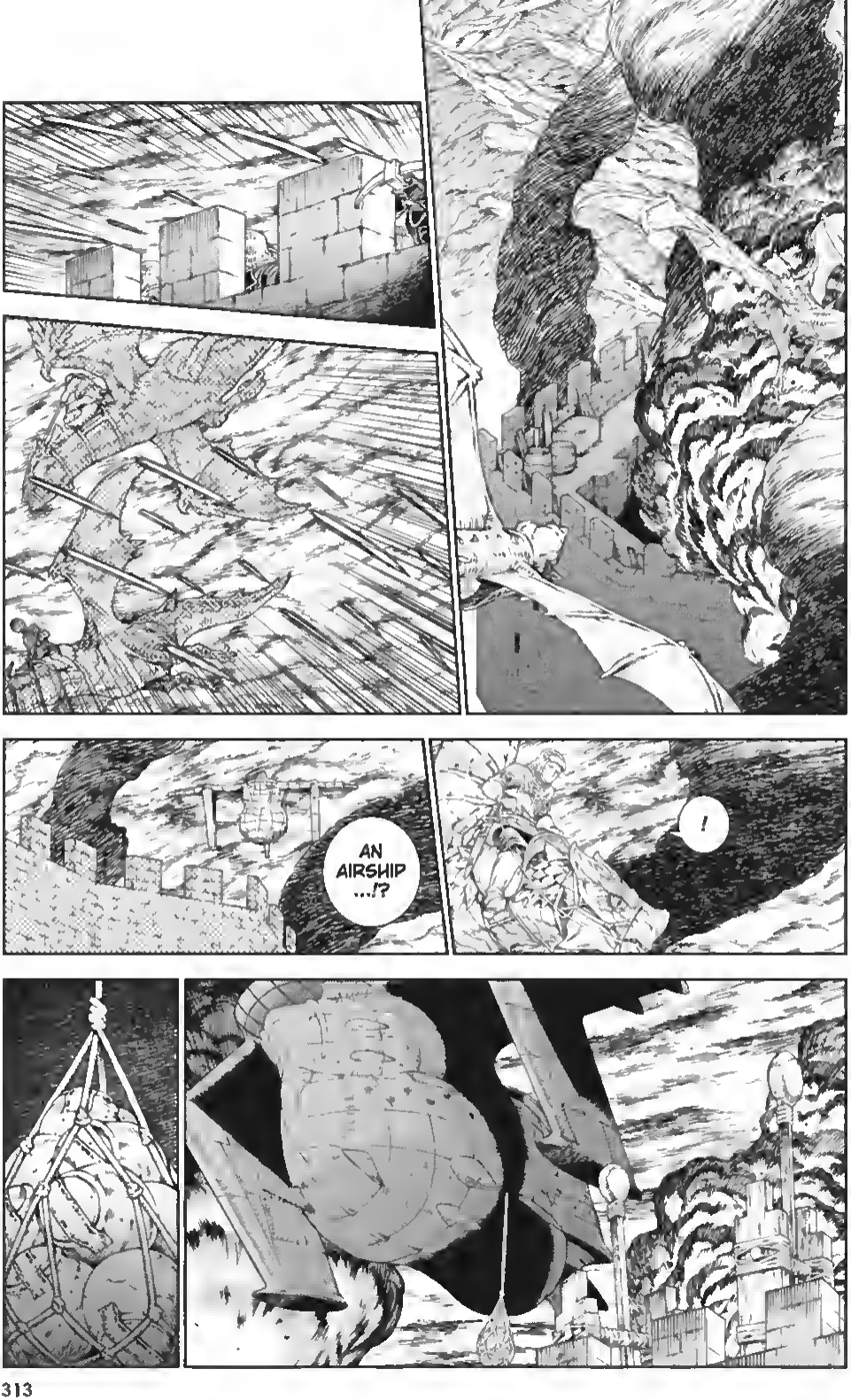
LET'S GO!

BLATT MEIS-TER!!

PLEASE, BLATT MEISTER! PLEDGE YOUR LOYALTY TO KING GLENN!
THEN WE CAN LET YOU OUT OF THAT CAGE!!
..... AS OF NOW...
...I AM A MINOR LAND-HOLDING LORD.
THE WHOLE EMPIRE'S ON THE VERGE OF COL-LAPSE, THOUGH!
.....
MY MOTHER AND BROTHER WAIT FOR ME BACK HOME.
FOR THEIR SAKE, I CAN'T JOIN A TRAITOR LIKE GLENN.

YOU COULD HELP BRING THIS WAR TO AN END...
JUST BECOME ONE OF KING GLENN'S KNIGHTS AND LEND US YOUR STRENGTH.
IF THE BLATT MEISTER HIMSELF JOINS THE ORDER OF HEAVEN'S SPEAR...
...WE'LL BE STRONGER THAN EVER...
.....

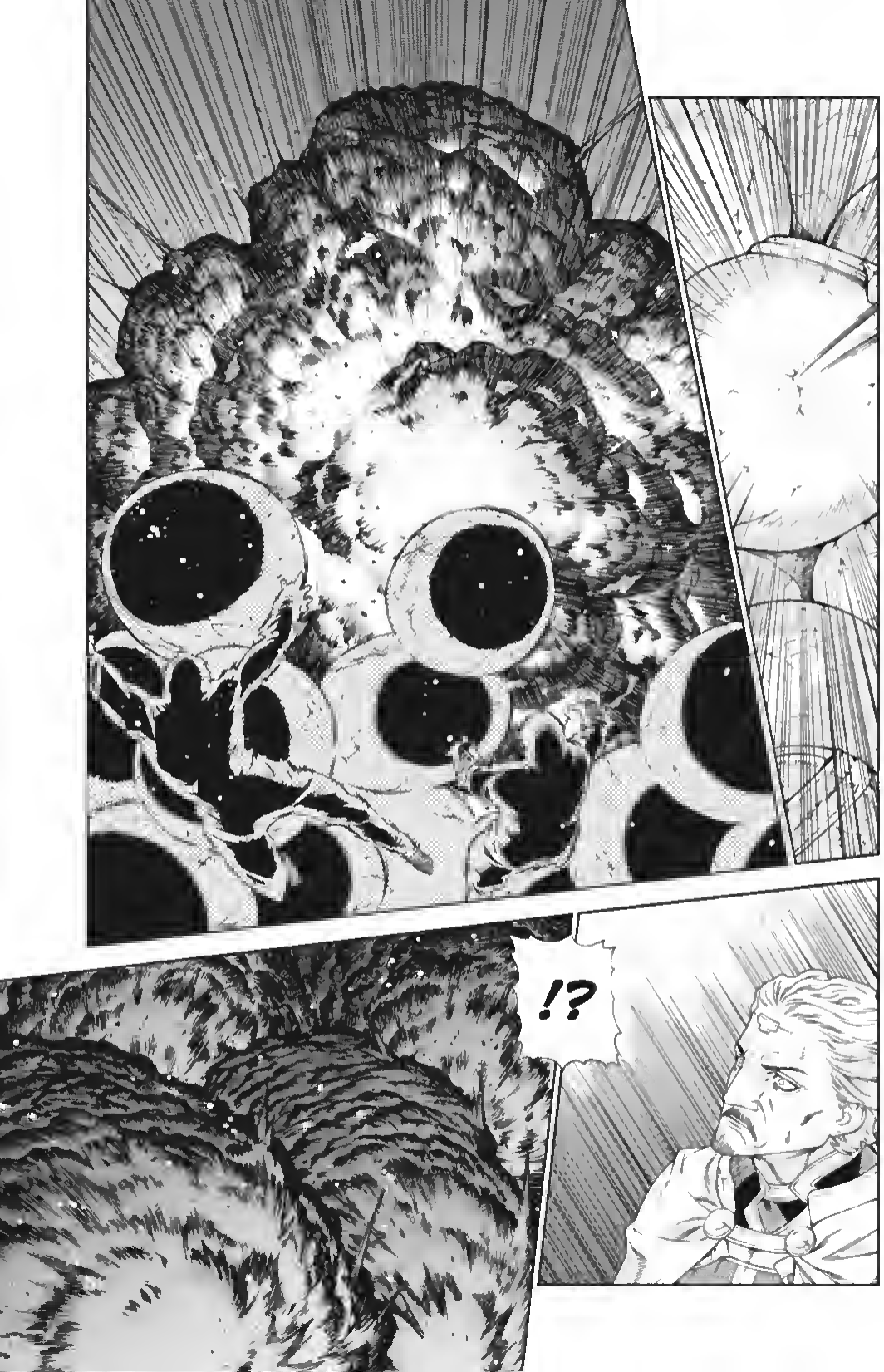
EGIM !!
BLATT MEIS-TER .....!!
IT'S TOO DAN-GER-OUS HERE!
YOU GUYS SHOULD RUN!!

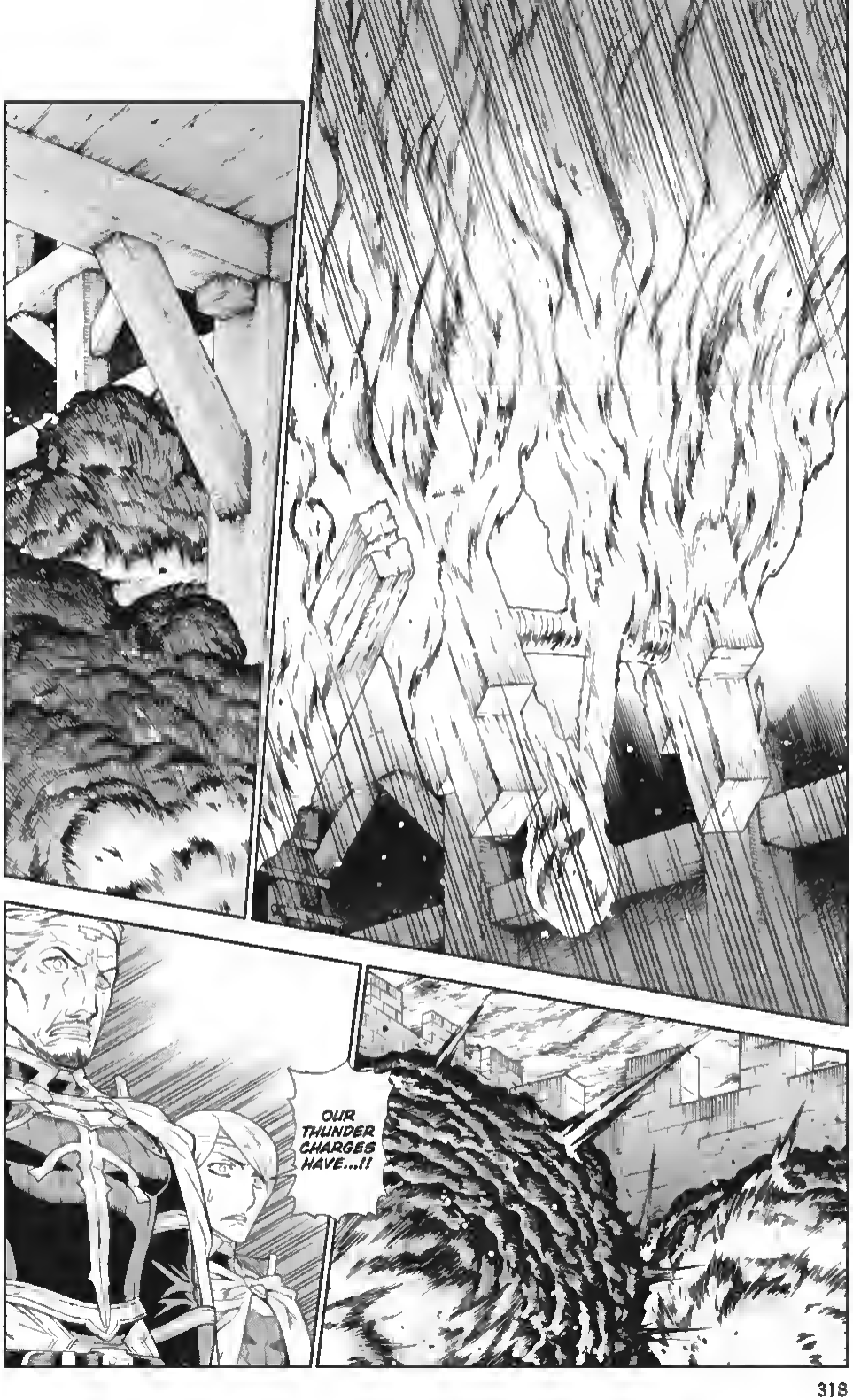

AN AIRSHIP ...!?
!

GOOD! SEND THEM FLYING!!
THE GRAND ORBS HAVE ARRIVED !!

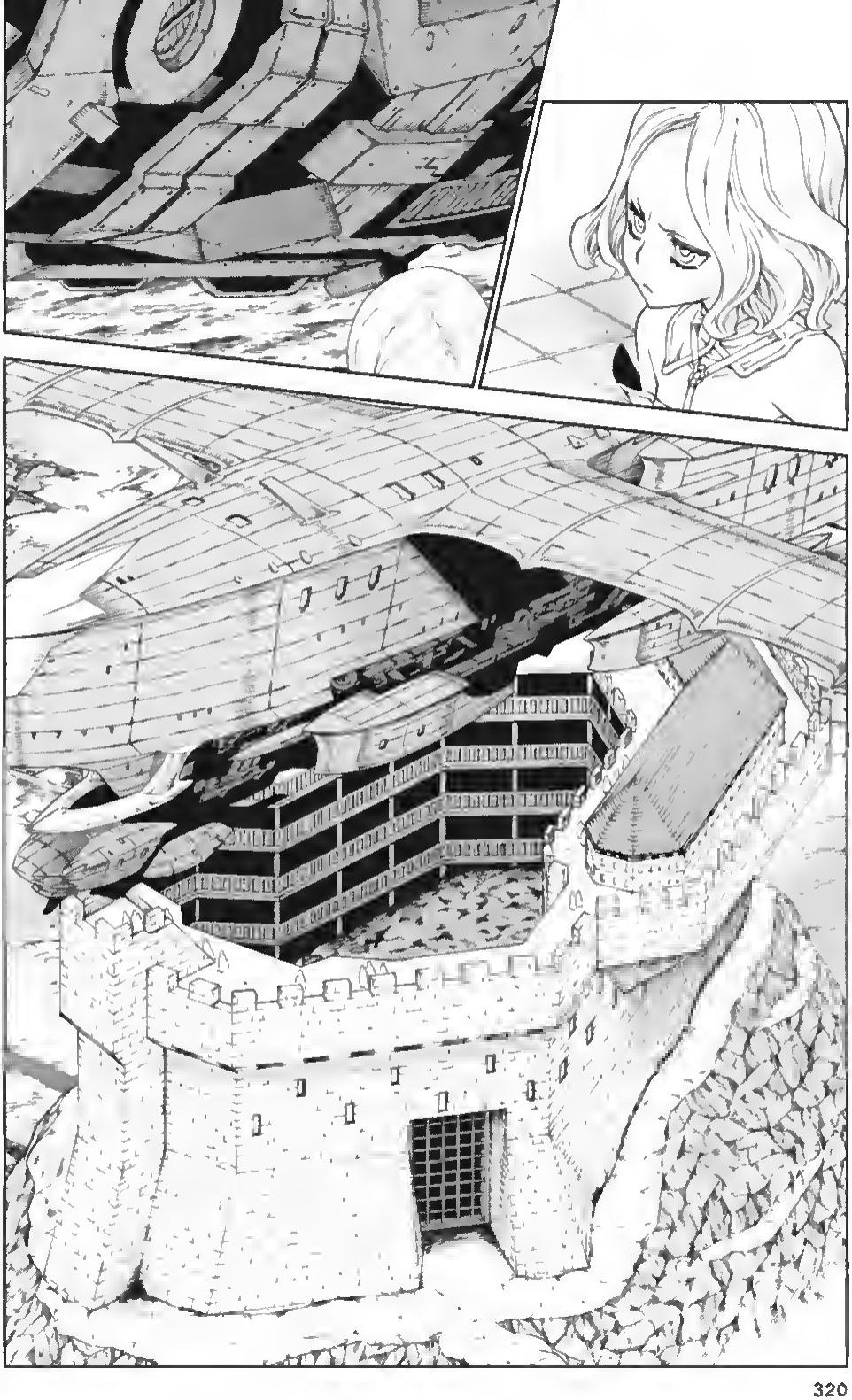
WHOOA!?

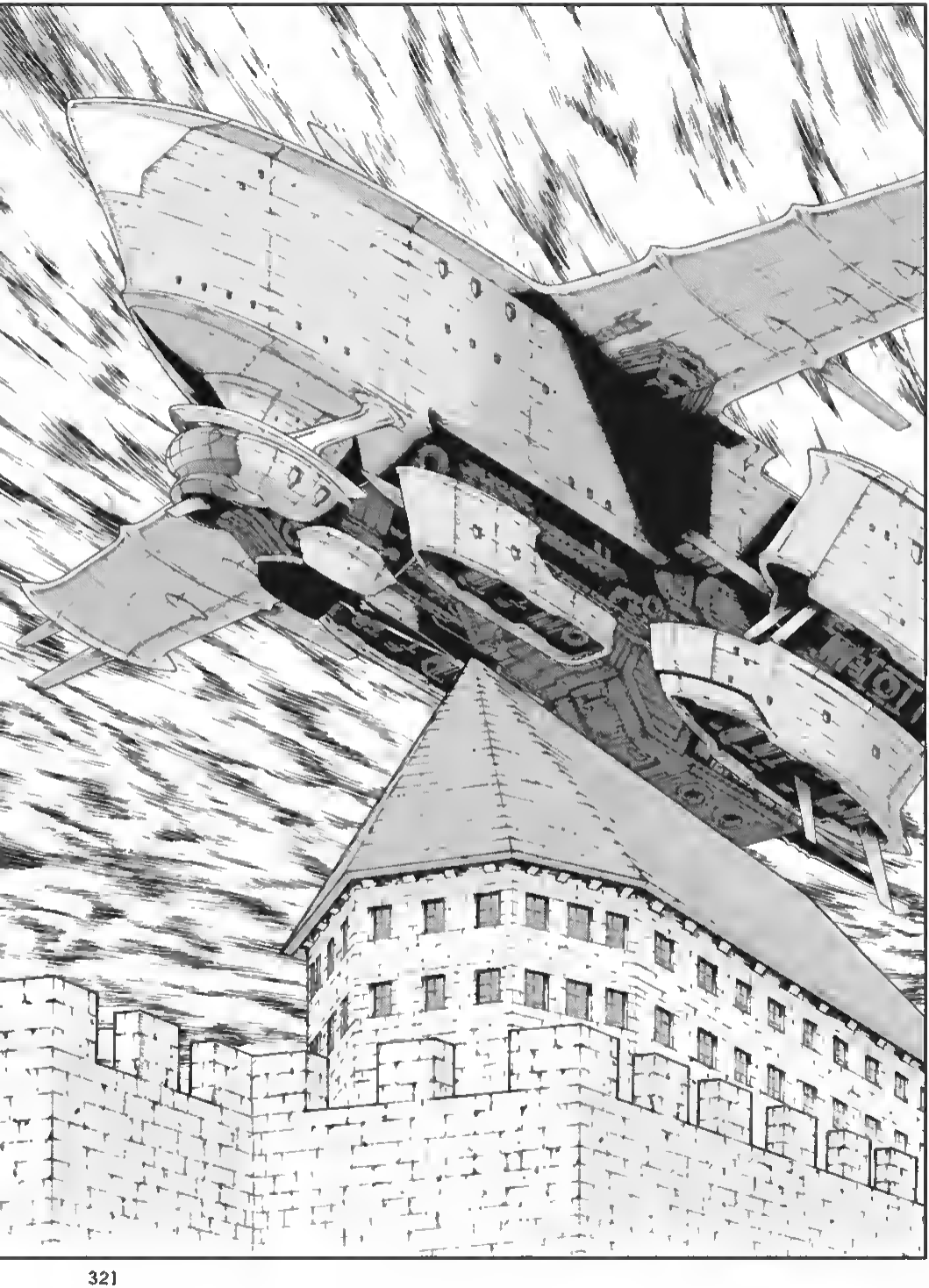
HA-HA-HA-HA-HA-HA-HA!!
WHAT NOW, ZEMAL-FAR!?
DOSHU (ZWIP)

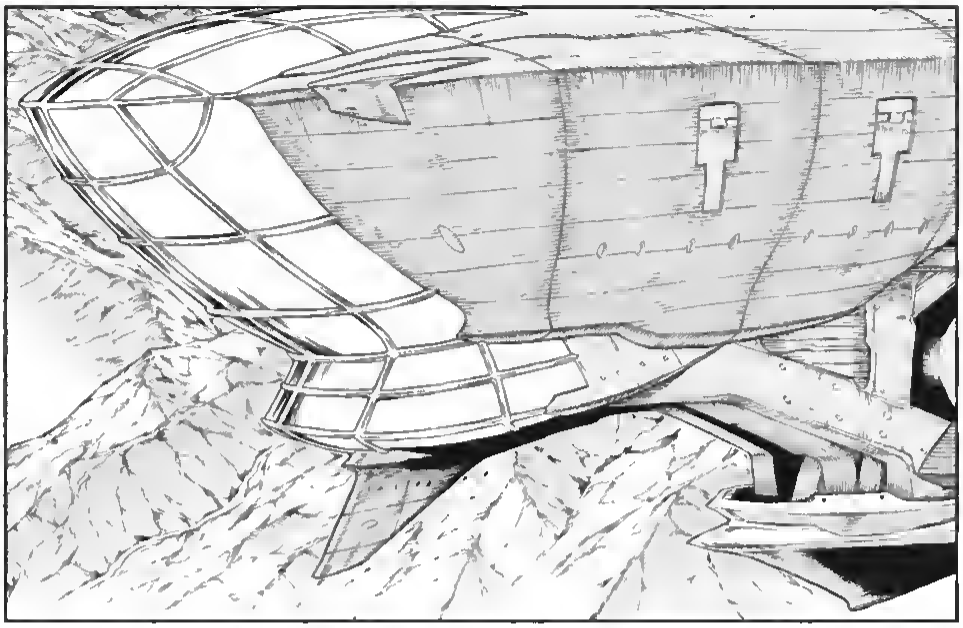


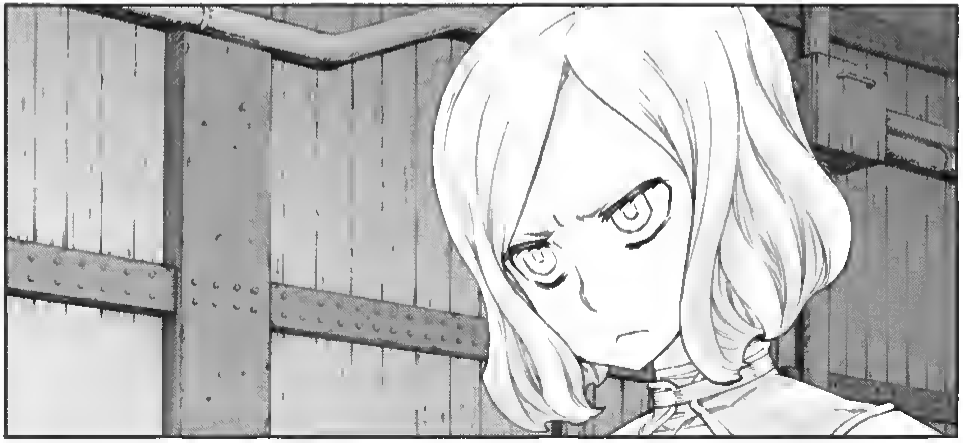

OUR THUNDER CHARGES HAVE...!!

THIS IS A FINE CASTLE.
WHAT A SHAME WE HAVE TO BRING IT DOWN.
BUT WE HAVE NO CHOICE.









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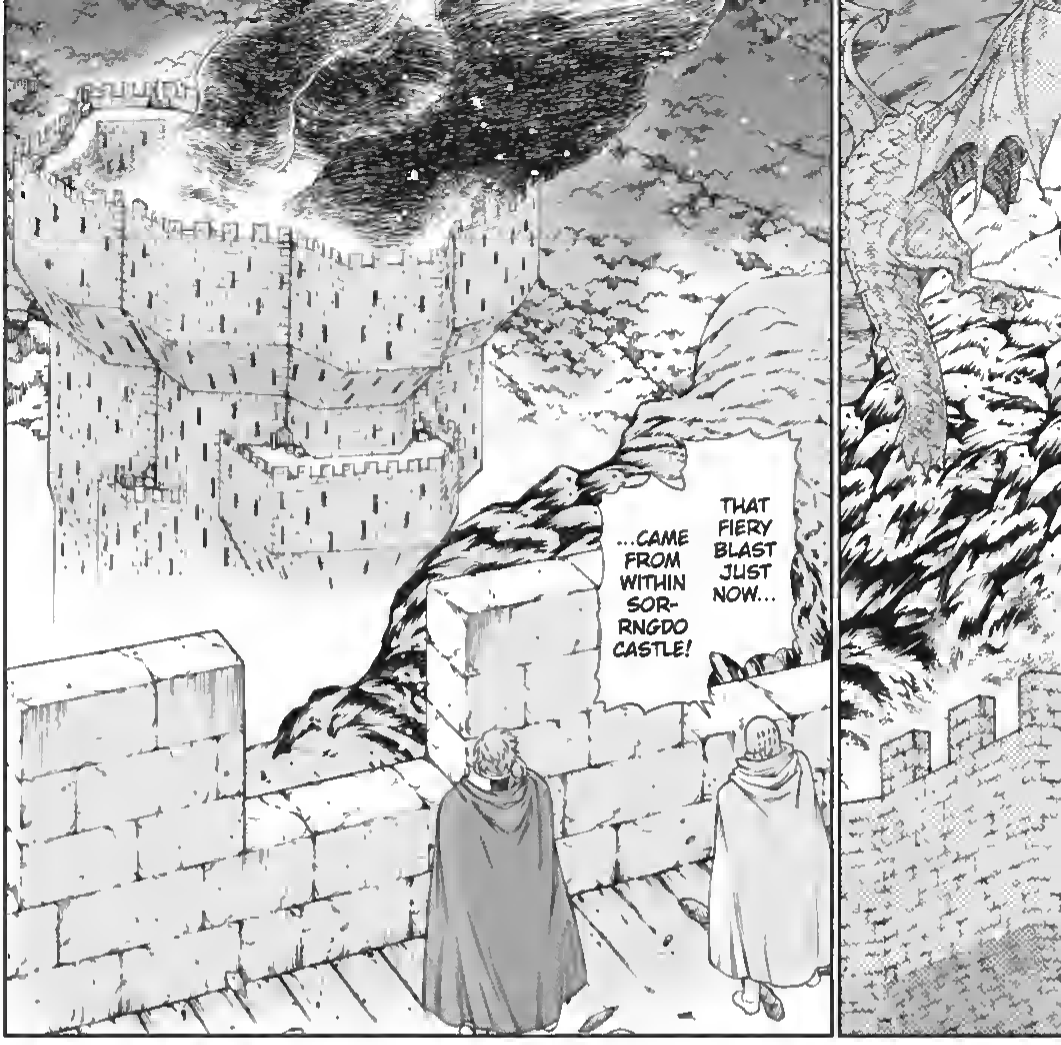
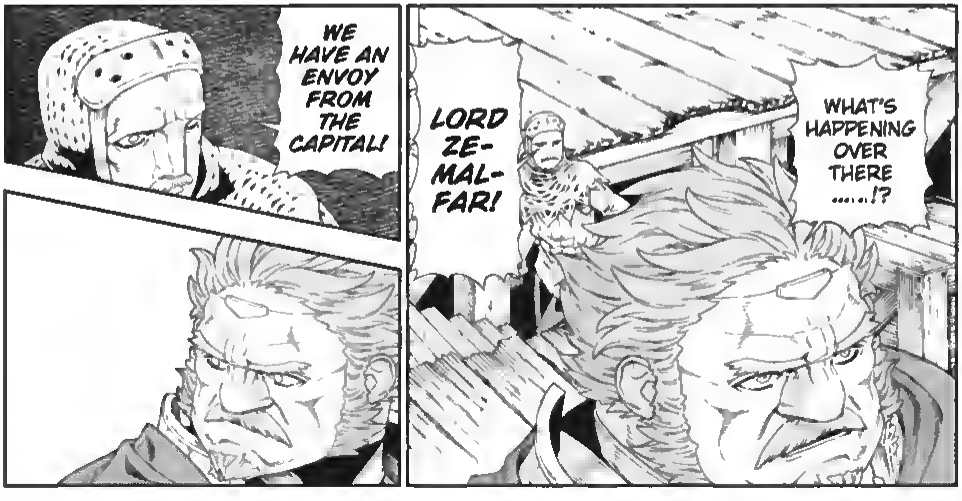
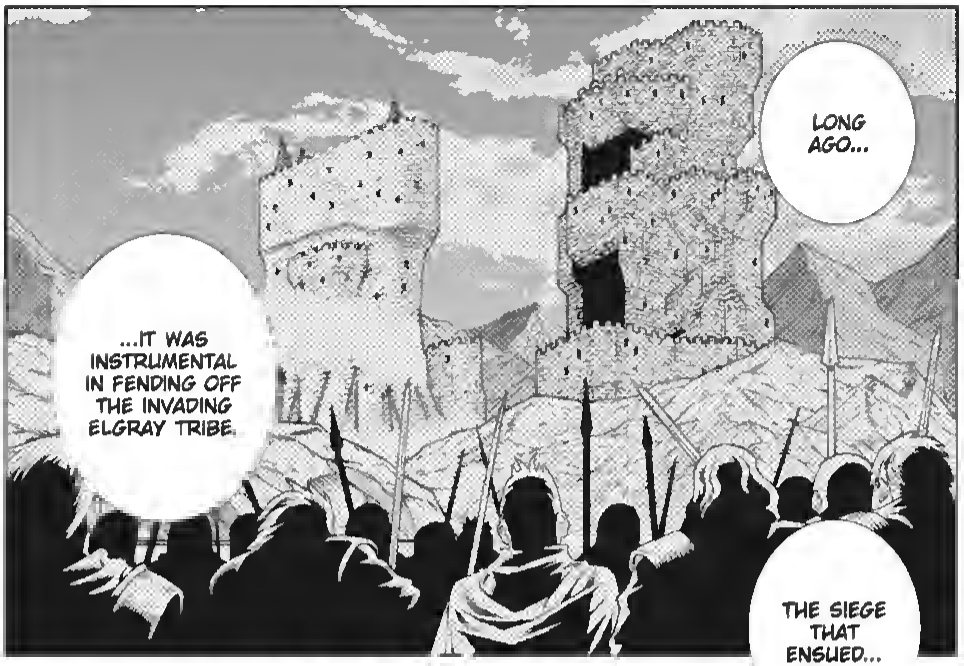

THAT FIERY BLAST JUST NOW...
...CAME FROM WITHIN SOR-RNGDO CASTLE!


WE HAVE AN ENVOY FROM THE CAPITAL!
LORD ZE-MAL-FAR!
WHAT'S HAPPENING OVER THERE .....!?

AS WE SPEAK, A COVERT SQUAD FROM THE CAPITAL IS INFILTRATING SORRNGDO CASTLE
WE ASK THAT YOU CEASE YOUR ATTACK TEMPORARILY
WHAT'S THAT!? I RECEIVED NO WORD OF THIS...
WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR SENDING THIS SQUAD OF YOURS!?
WELL, YOU SEE.....

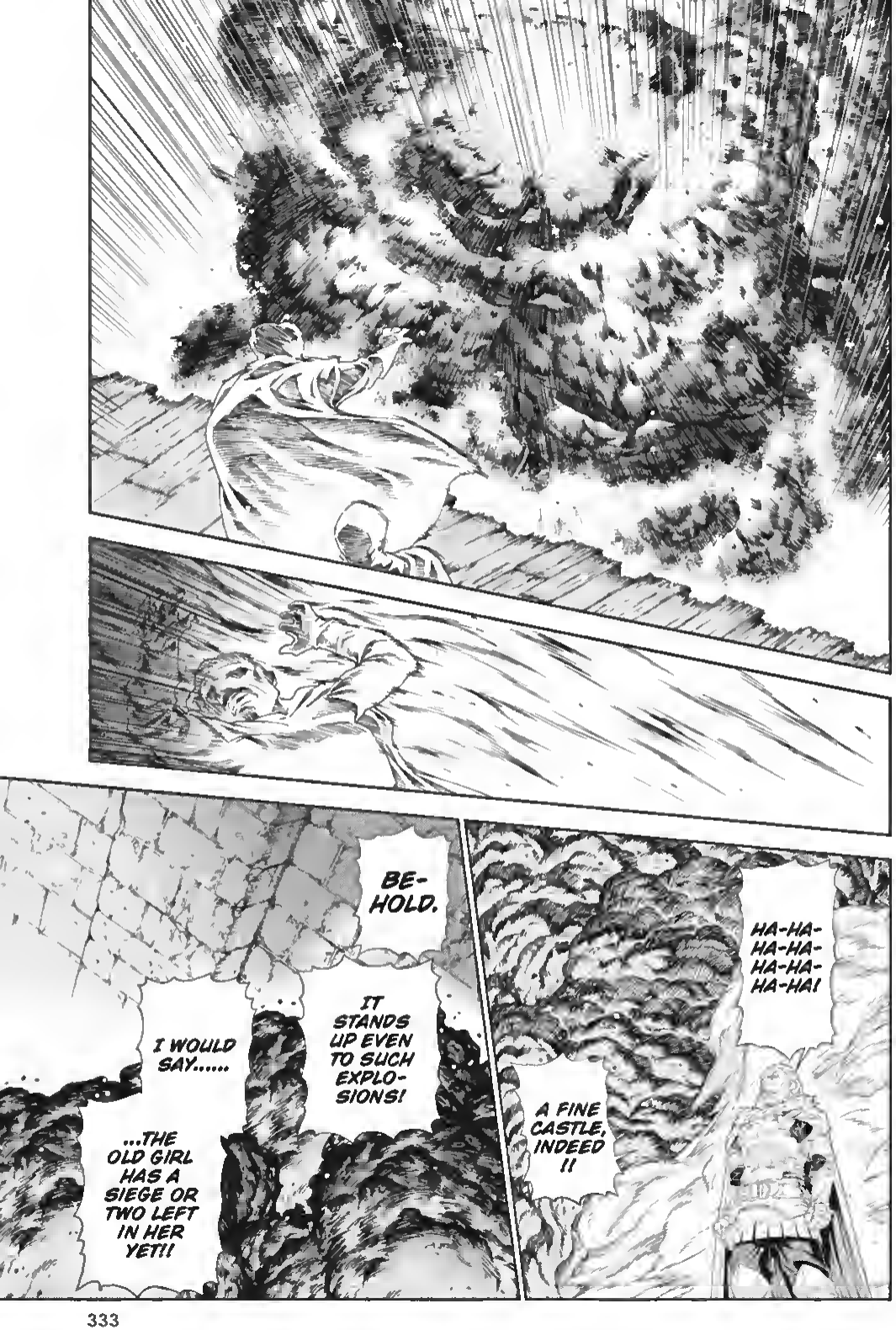
OUR CATA-PULT'S RUBBLE !!
PUT OUT THOSE FIRES!

AN ENEMY SPY!?
HOW DID THEY MANAGE TO SNEAK IN...!?
THIS CASTLE IS A PIECE OF ARCHITECTURE I KNOW QUITE WELL.


LONG AGO...
...IT WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN FENDING OFF THE INVADING ELGRAY TRIBE.
THE SIEGE THAT ENSUED...
.....?
...WAS ATTENDED BY YOU AS WELL, GENANDIX.
.....!!

YOUR HIGH-NESS .....!?
THIS CATA-PULT'S STILL IN ONE PIECE!
GWAAH !?

DWAAAH!!


BE-
HOLD.
IT STANDS UP EVEN TO SUCH EXPLO-SIONS!
I WOULD SAY.....
...THE OLD GIRL HAS A SIEGE OR TWO LEFT IN HER YET!!
HA-HA-HA-HA-HA-HA-HA!
A FINE CASTLE, INDEED !!

...GEN-ANDIX !!
DAMN YOU.....
THIS IS YOUR LOSS.
NOW JOIN MY CAUSE!
!?
YOU WOULD GRANT MERCY TO A TRAITOR, YOUR HIGHNESS?

THIS ONE IS A SKILLED COMMANDER.
HIS TIMID NATURE IS A FLAW, TO BE SURE, YET...
...THAT TOO CAN BE MADE USE OF AT TIMES IN BATTLE.
THIS MAN IS ONE WE CAN USE.
AT THIS RATE.....
WE'VE LOST MOST OF OUR CATAPULTS.
FATHER...

KILL THEM ALL!
!
BUT LORD GENAN-DIX...!
YOU SAW THEM TOO, DIDN'T YOU?
KING GLENN'S FLOATING CASTLE AND HIS HEAVEN'S SPEAR FLEET.....!

SERVING HIS WILL IS THE ONLY WAY FOR US TO SURVIVE!
KING GLENN COULD BURN THIS ENTIRE EMPIRE TO THE GROUND IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE!
.....OUR LORD AND MASTER IS KING GLENN!
WHAT A SHAME, GENANDIX.

KILL THE INTRU-DERS!!
KILL THEM .....
YOUR HIGH-NESS...
FOR-GIVE ME...!

GU-WAA-AAA-AHH!
DOSU (THUNK)
PURSUE GENANDIX.
SHOULD CAPTURING HIM ALIVE PROVE TOO DIFFICULT..... KILL HIM.
YES, MY LORD!

I WILL PRES-ENT KING GLENN .....
...WITH THE HEAD OF HIS FATHER!
THE STAIRS TO THE SECRET PASSAGE ARE THIS WAY...
FA-THER!
NO. THIS IS THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY, RIGENAND!
.....

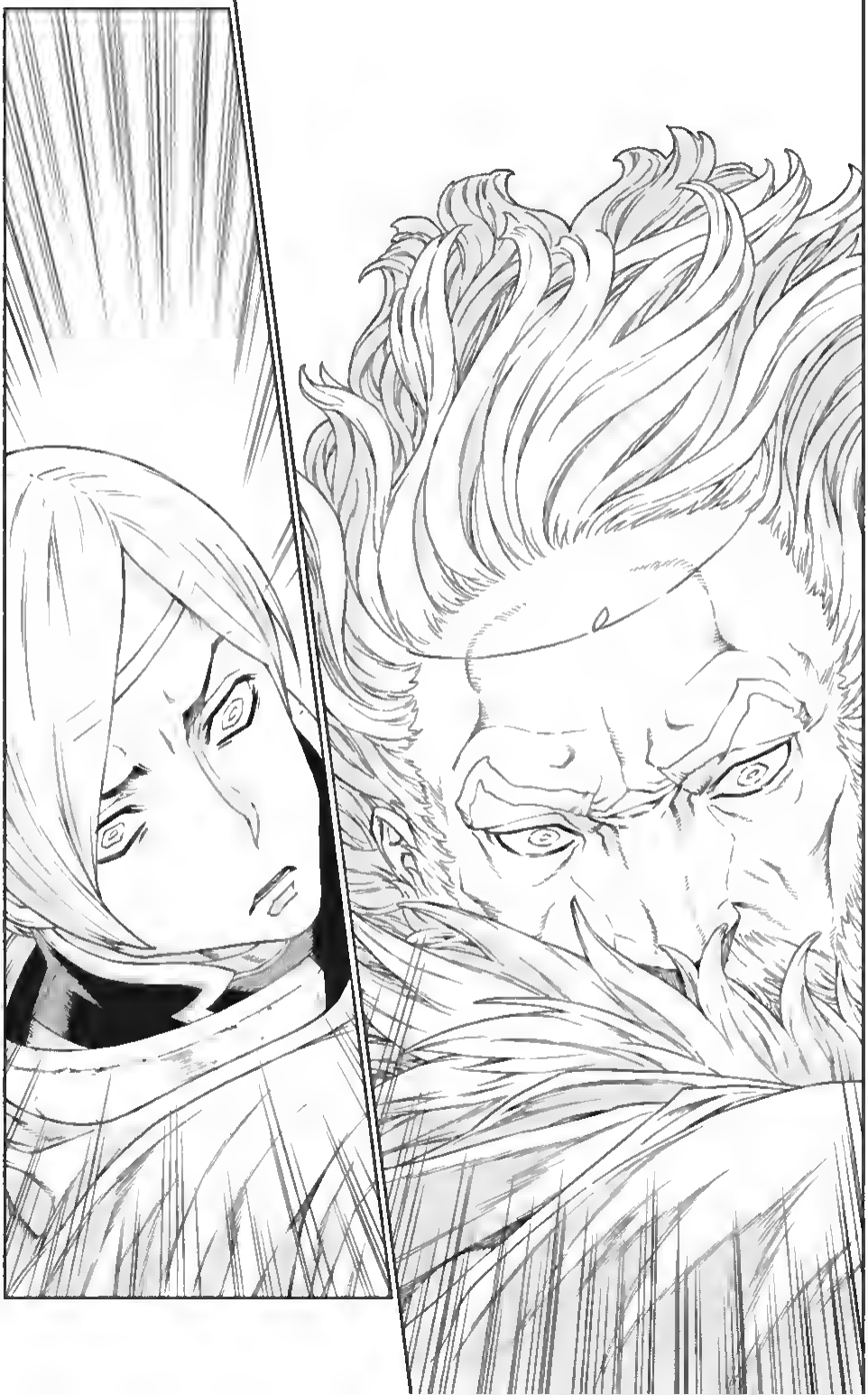
!
OH NO!
PULL BACK!!

DAN (SLASH)
!!
(DAGON (CLANK)

GYAAAAH!!

GUH ...!!

RIGE-
NAND.
FINISH OFF HIS HIGH-NESS'S PEOPLE.
TCH...!



NOOOOOOO!!

RIGE-
NAAAND
!!

!
...DOES THIS MEAN...
...THE CASTLE HAS FALLEN.....?

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THAT'S ...
...ONE OF KING GLENN'S SHIPS .....!!

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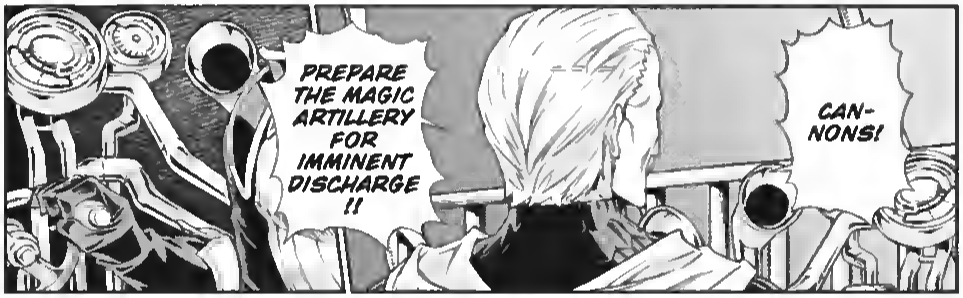
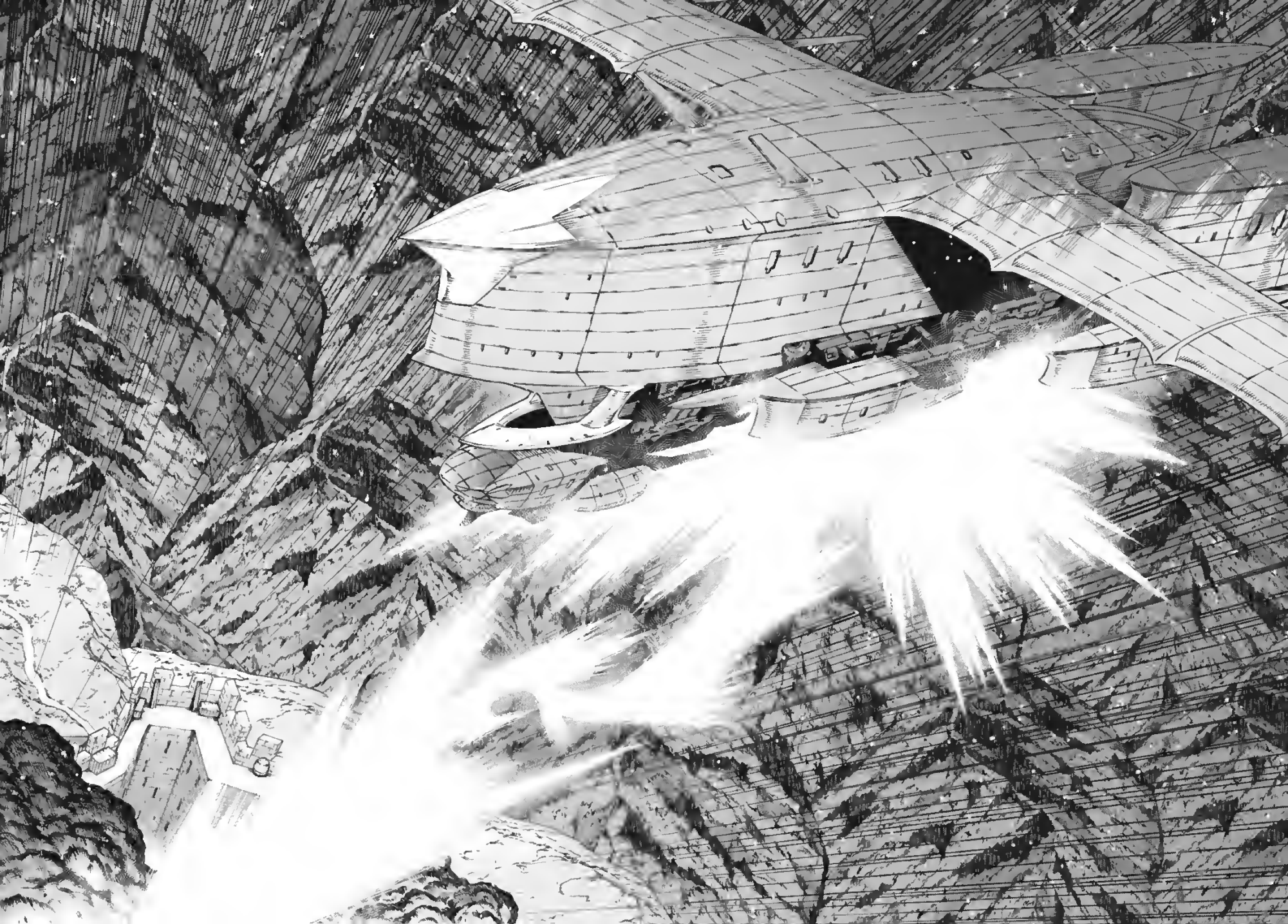
WE'RE TRYING TO MAKE CONTACT OVER THE GOLDEN EAR, BUT...
...THERE'S NO REPLY.
WHAT'S THE STATUS OF SORRNGDO CASTLE?
WHAT A DISGRACEFUL SIGHT.
I HAD HEARD THAT THE ONE IN CHARGE, GENANDIX, WAS A CAPABLE MAN, BUT...
.....

YES, SIR!
SORRNGDO CASTLE HAS FALLEN TO ZEMALFAR.
REPORT BACK TO KING GLENN.

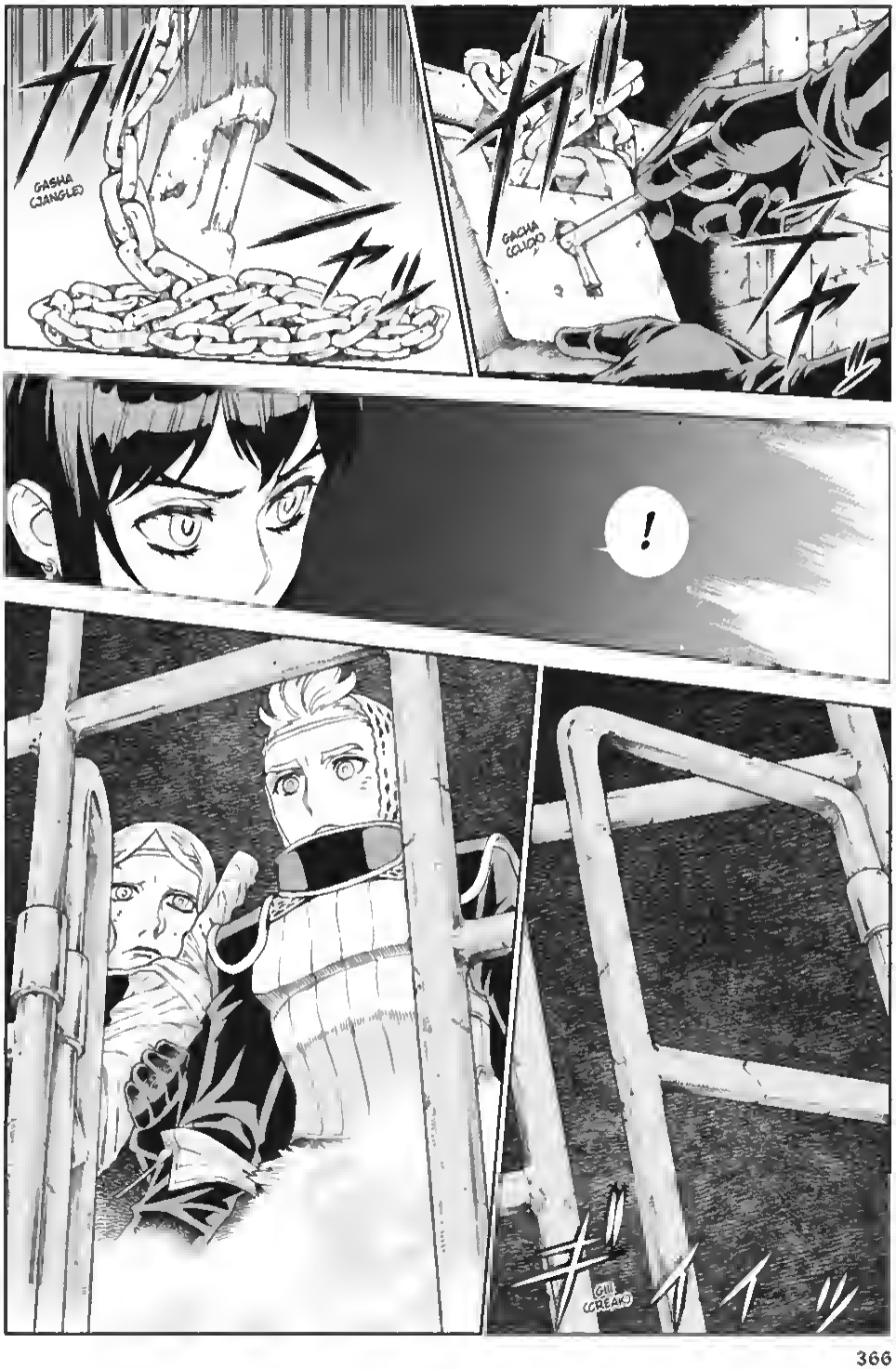

PREPARE THE MAGIC ARTILLERY FOR IMMINENT DISCHARGE !!
CAN-NONS!

...AND PROCEED TO THE CAPITAL .....!
WE WILL WIPE BOTH SORRNGDO AND ZAAFIA OFF THE MAP...

.....
ONE OF KING GLENN'S SHIPS IS...!
LORD GENAN-DIX!!
REIN-FORCE-MENTS!
...NO...
NOT RE-INFORCE-MENTS.
.....?
THERE IS NO PLACE FOR THE DEFEATED...
...IN THE NEW WORLD KING GLENN SEEKS TO BUILD.....!



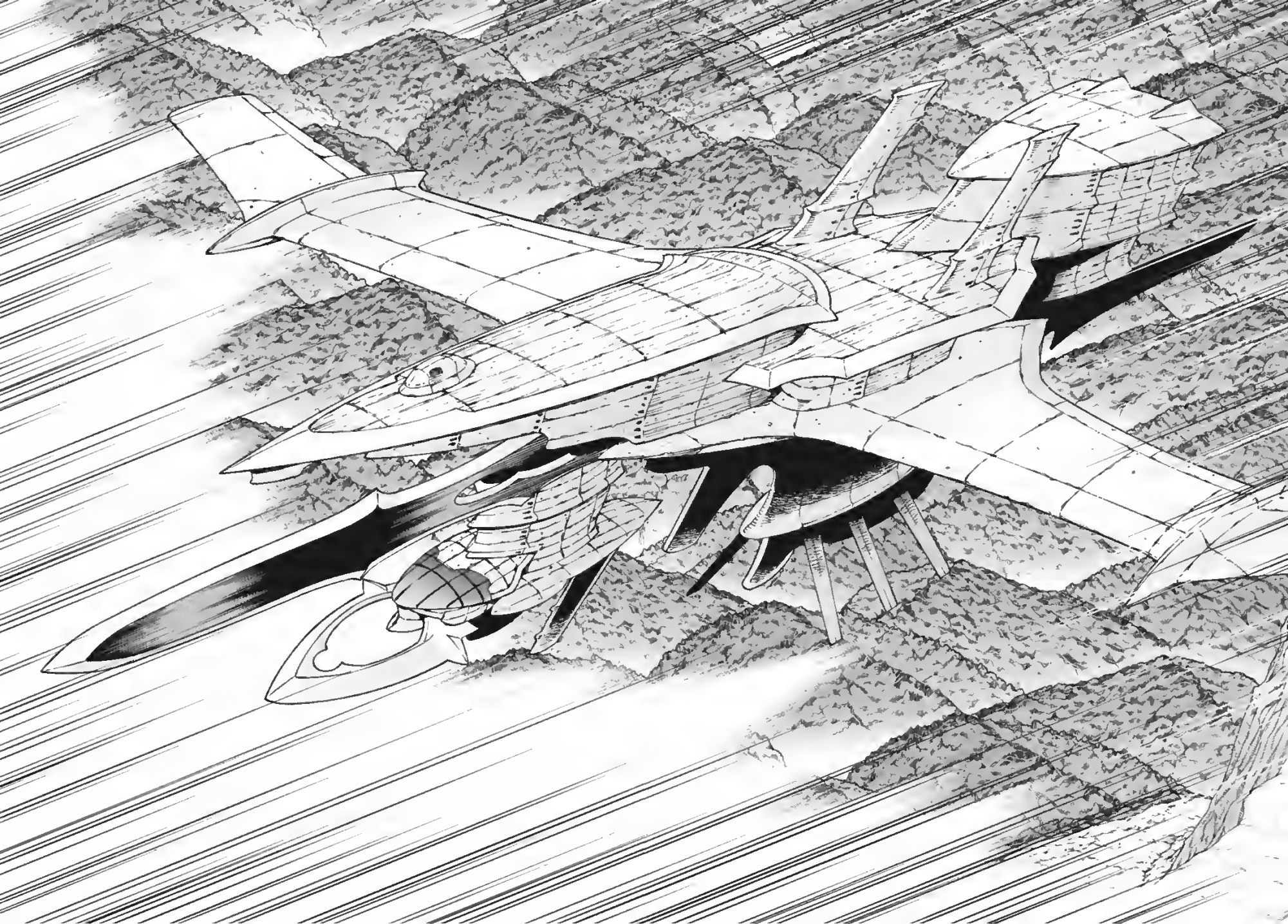
GYAAAAH!!
YOUR HIGH-NESS!!


GASHA (JANGLE)
GACHA (CLICK)
!
GIU (CREAK)

BEST OF LUCK TO YOU!!
BLATT MEISTER! WE'RE ABAN-DONING THIS CASTLE!
ARE YOU OKAY, EGIM !?
.....
YEAH...
STILL ALIVE, AT ANY RATE...
LET'S GO, EGIM.
TO LIVE ANOTHER DAY...!

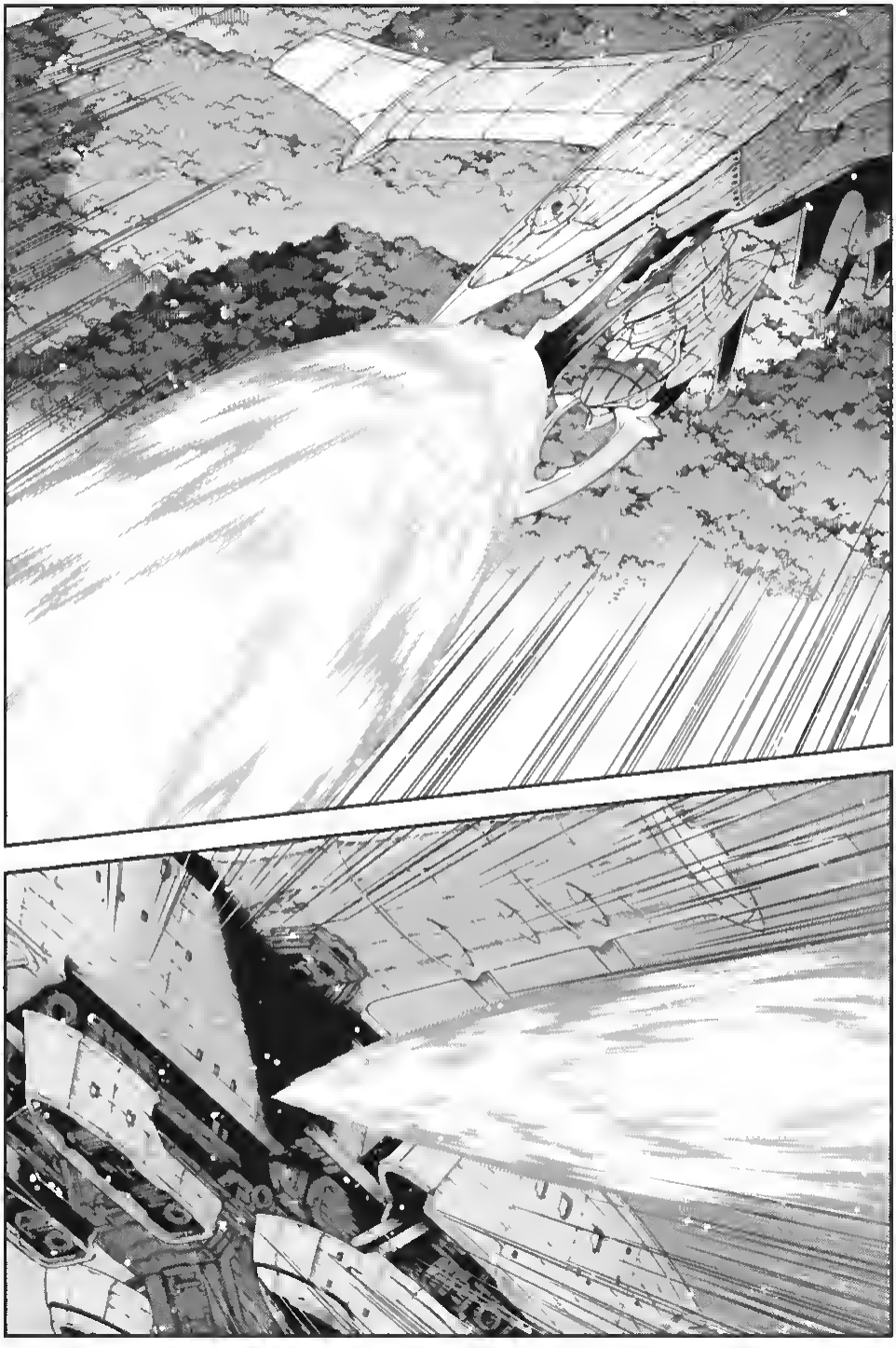
SORRNGDO CASTLE... IT'S...
CURRENTLY CHARGING THE MAGIC ARTILLERY FOR THE NEXT ATTACK!
IT SEEMS ANOTHER BLAST OR TWO WILL FINISH THE JOB.

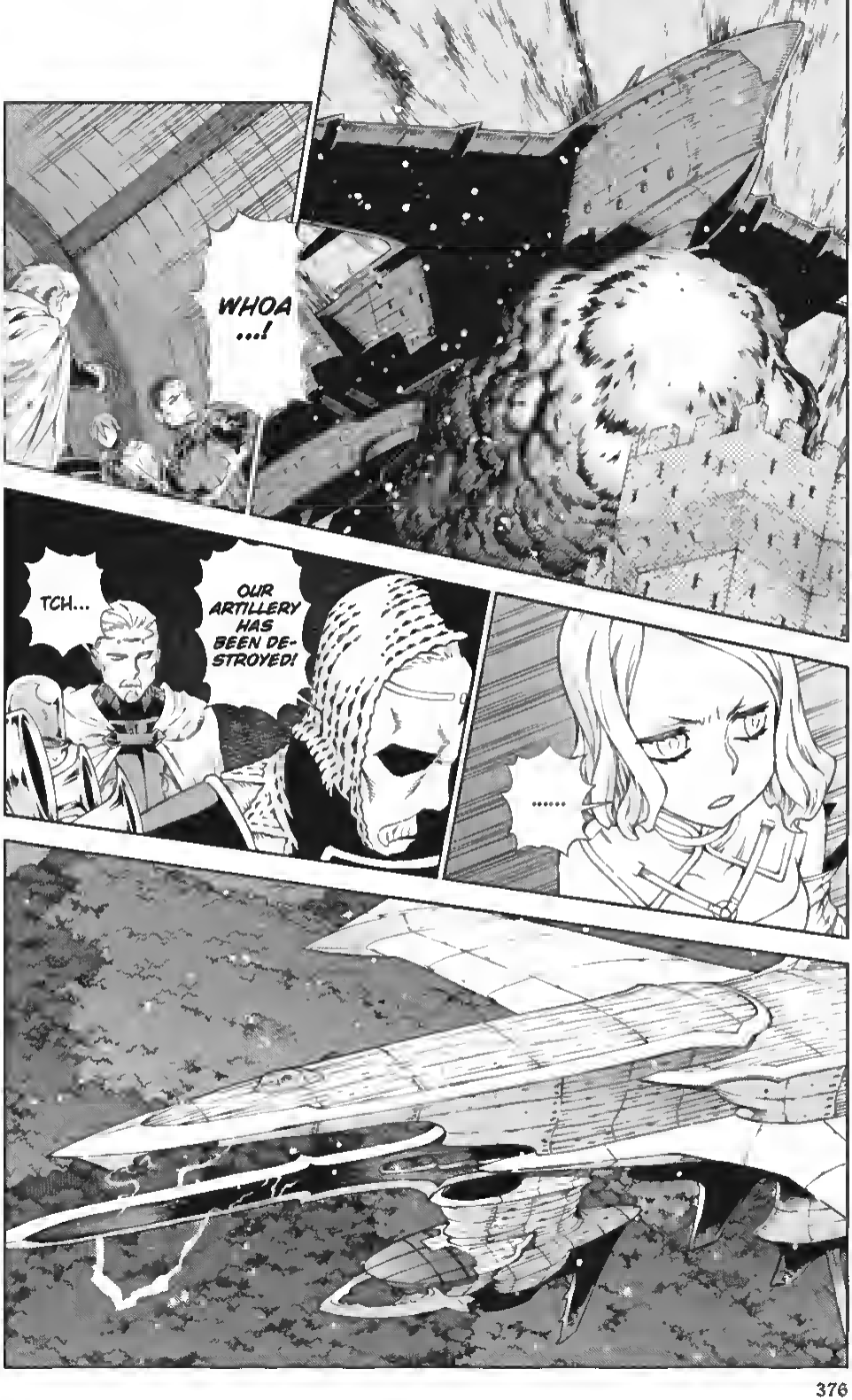
NO NEED FOR US OF THE ORDER OF HEAVEN'S SPEAR TO DESCEND.
BURN SORRNGDO CASTLE TO THE GROUND.
AND THEN MOVE ON TO ZAAFIA CASTLE.
MY, MY... TO GO TO SUCH LENGTHS.
.....



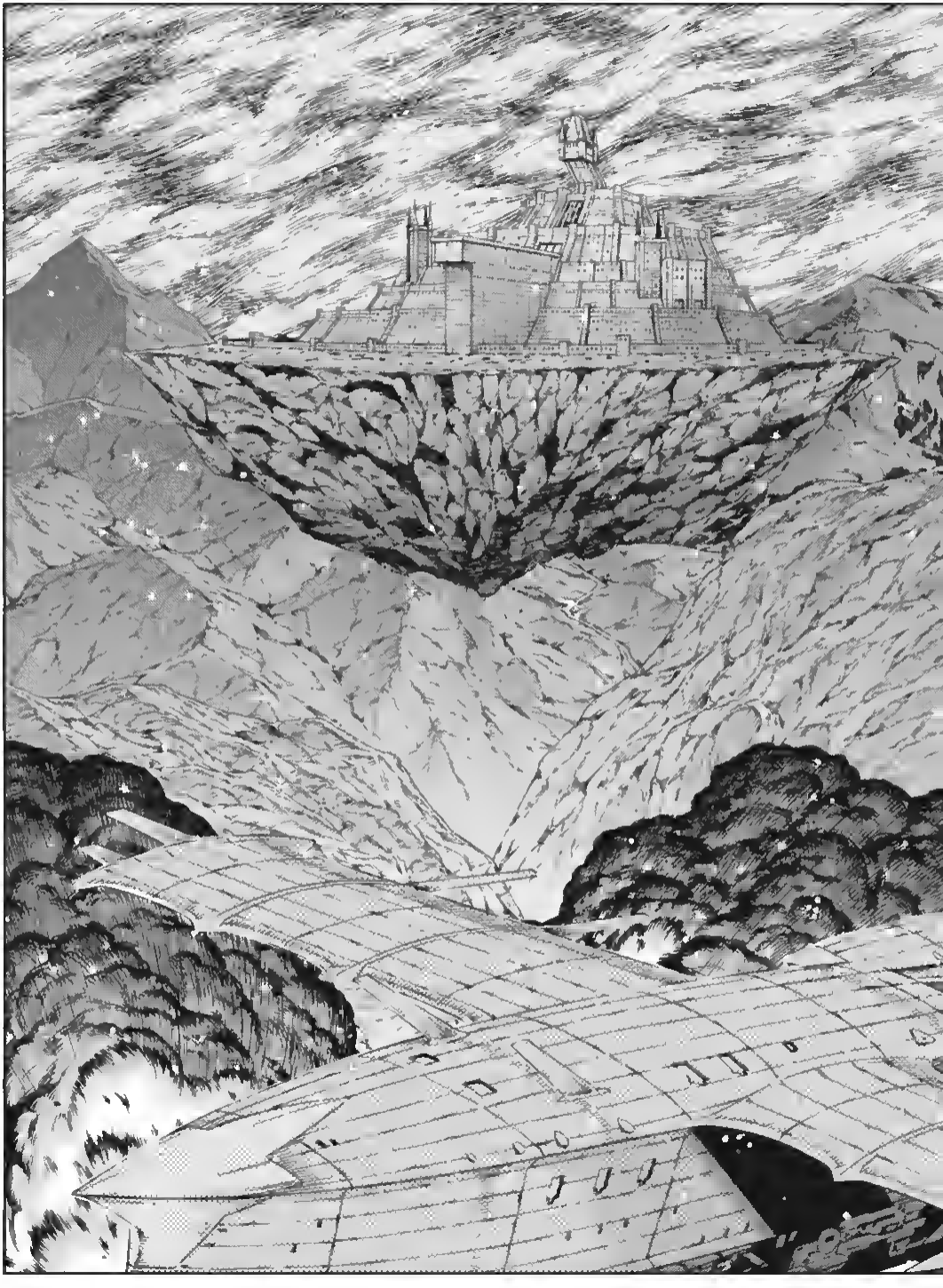
A SHIP !?
SOR-RNGDO CASTLE IS THE ONE ON THE FAR SIDE.
HIS HIGHNESS SHOULD HAVE ALREADY INFIL-TRATED ...!

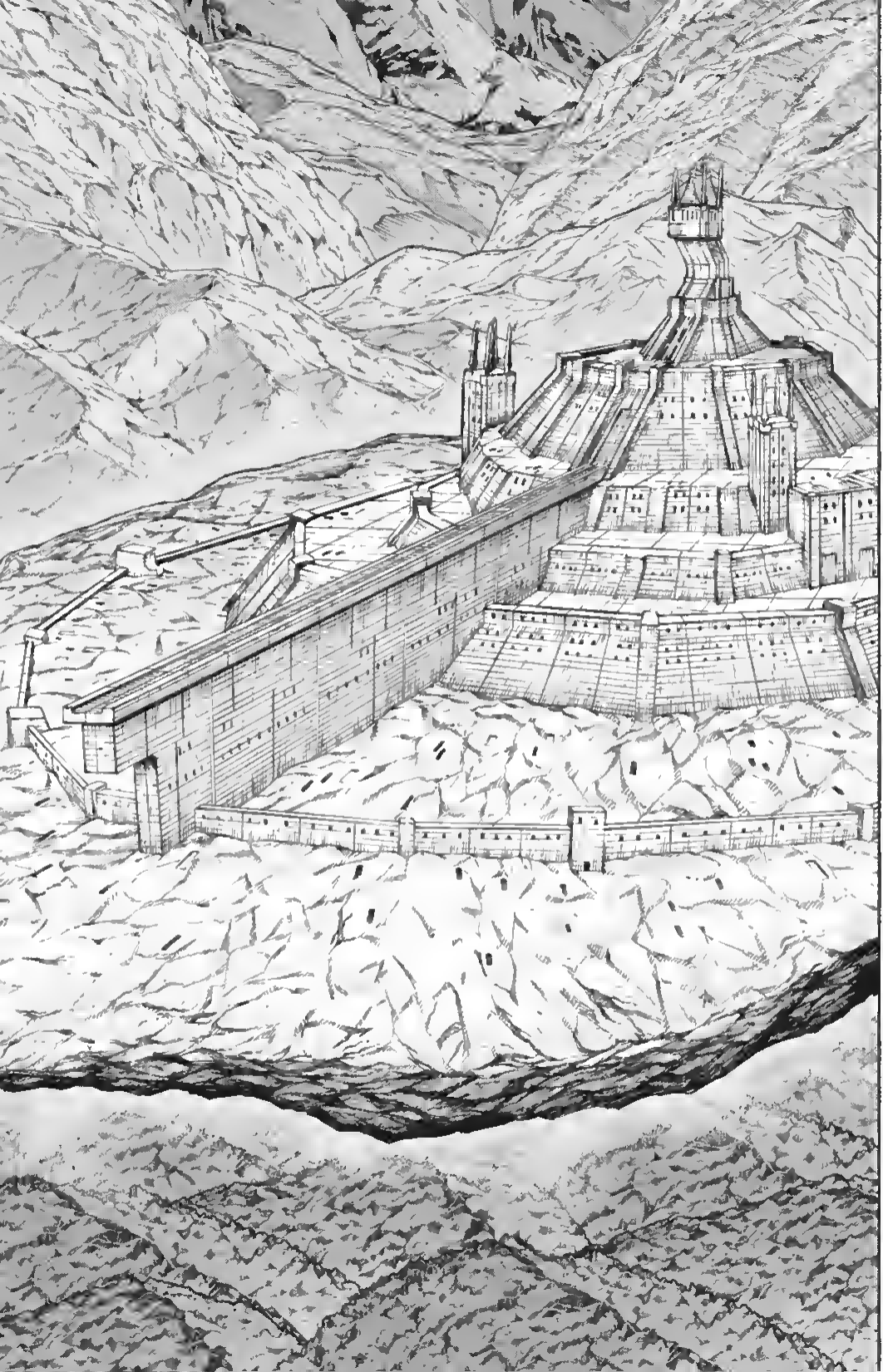
HIS HIGH-NESS...
I PRAY FOR HIS SAFETY ...!
BRING DOWN THAT ENEMY SHIP!
.....
LOCKED ON TARGET!
FIRE !!

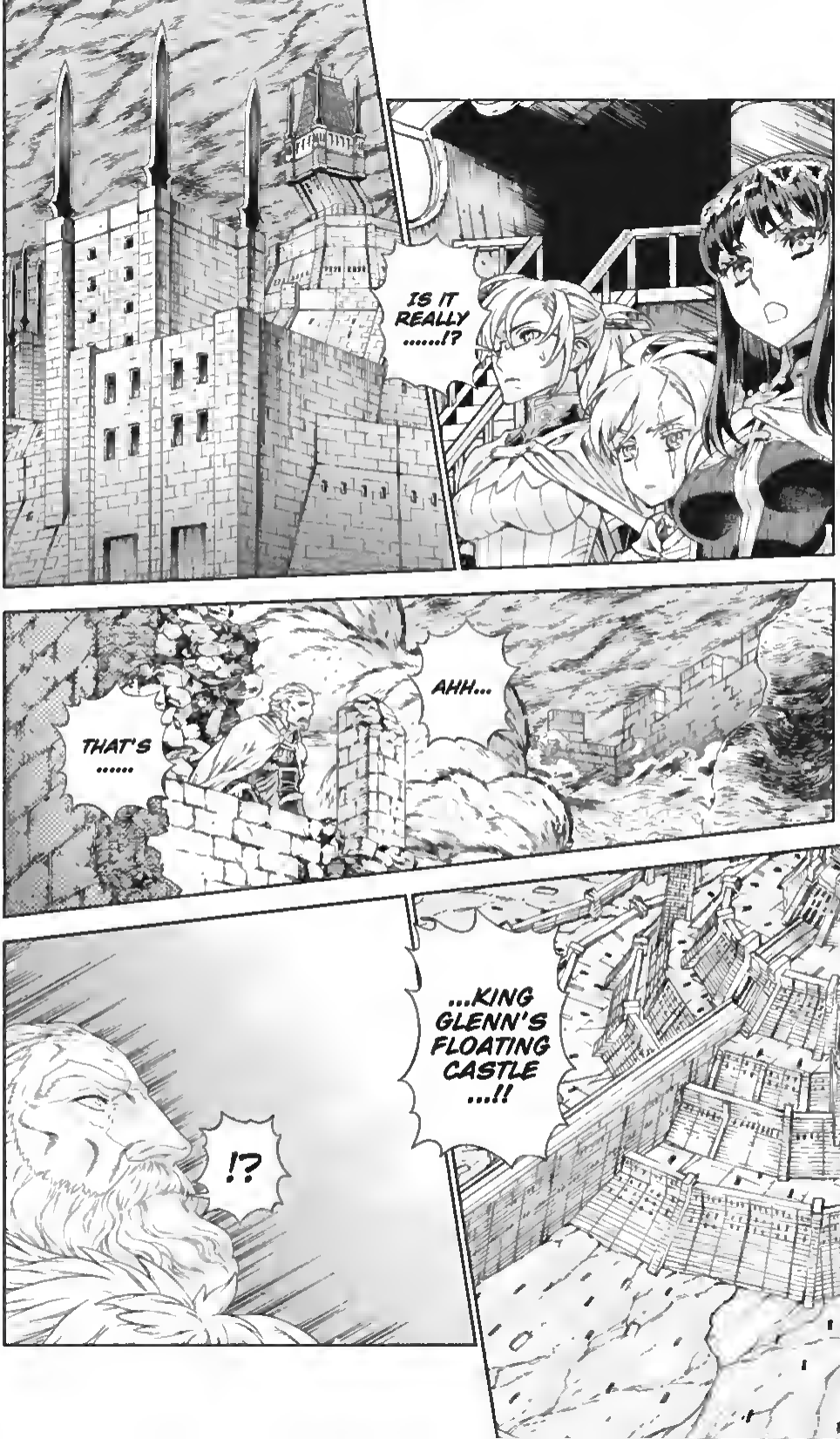



WHOA ...!
TCH...
OUR ARTILLERY HAS BEEN DE-STROYED!
.....

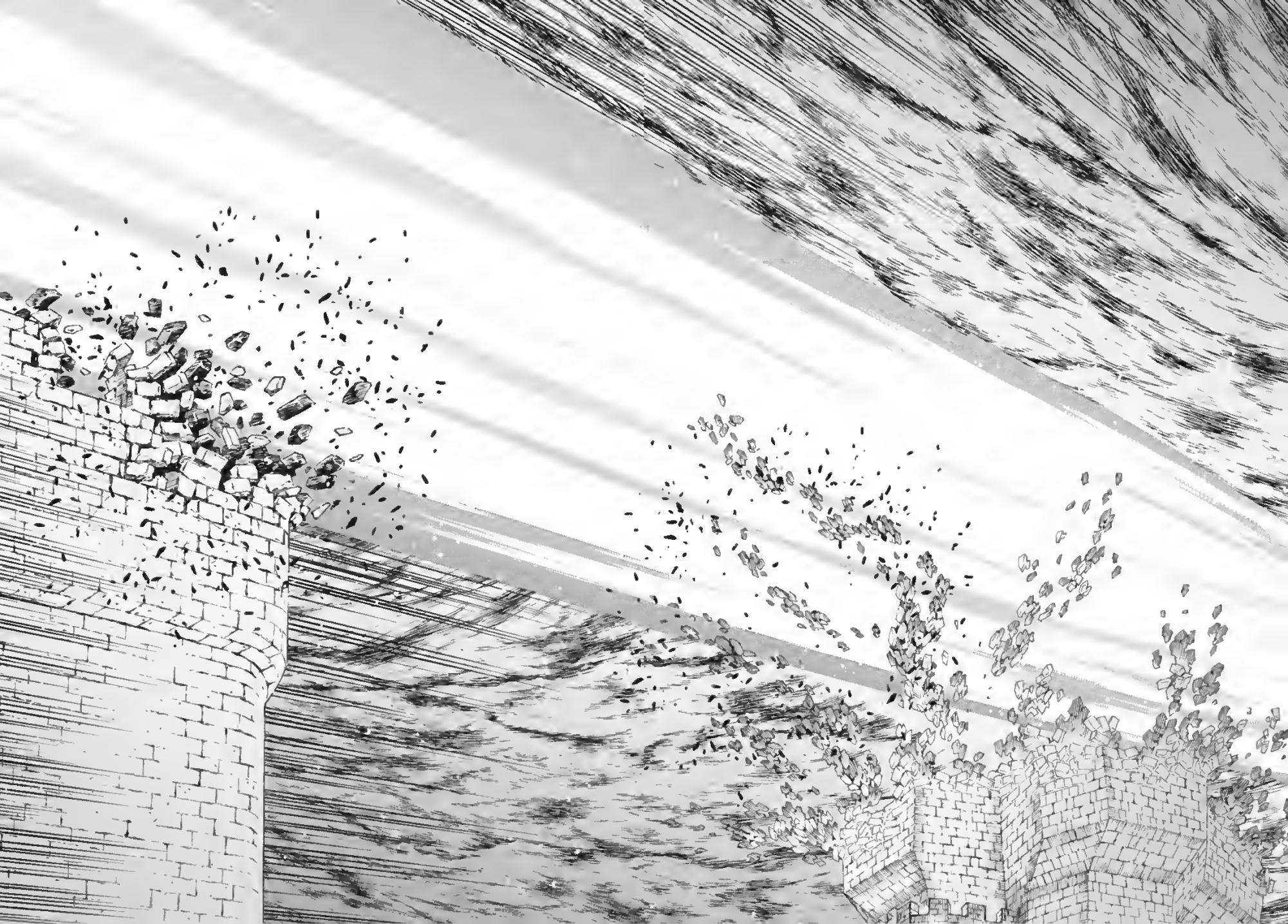
TAKE OUT THEIR PRO-PULSION SYSTEMS, AND THAT SHIP WILL BE GROUNDED ...
HIT THEM AGAIN!
PRE-PARING TO FIRE!
LET THEM KNOW THE TASTE OF DEFEAT !!
!
IS THAT ...!?

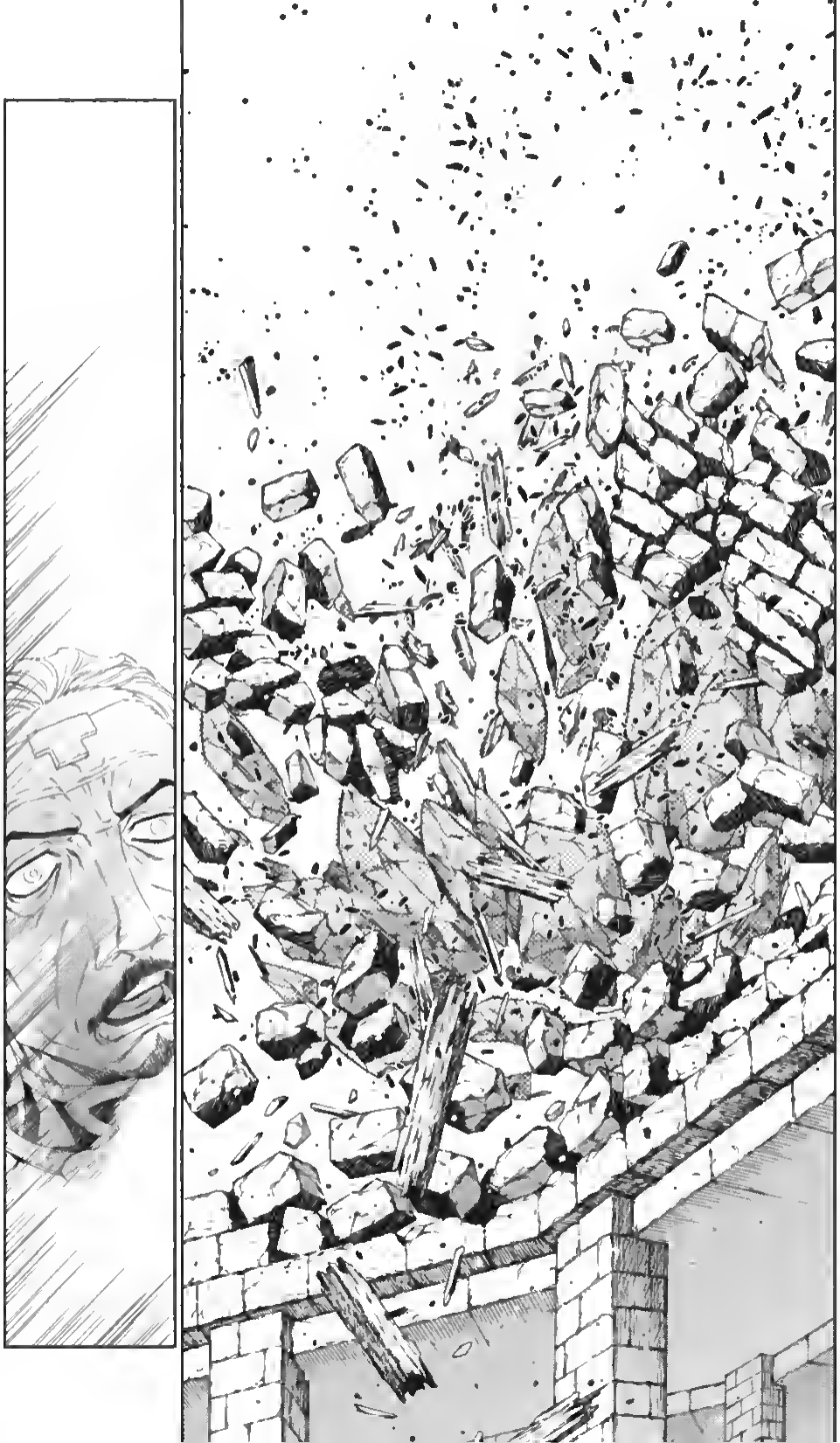


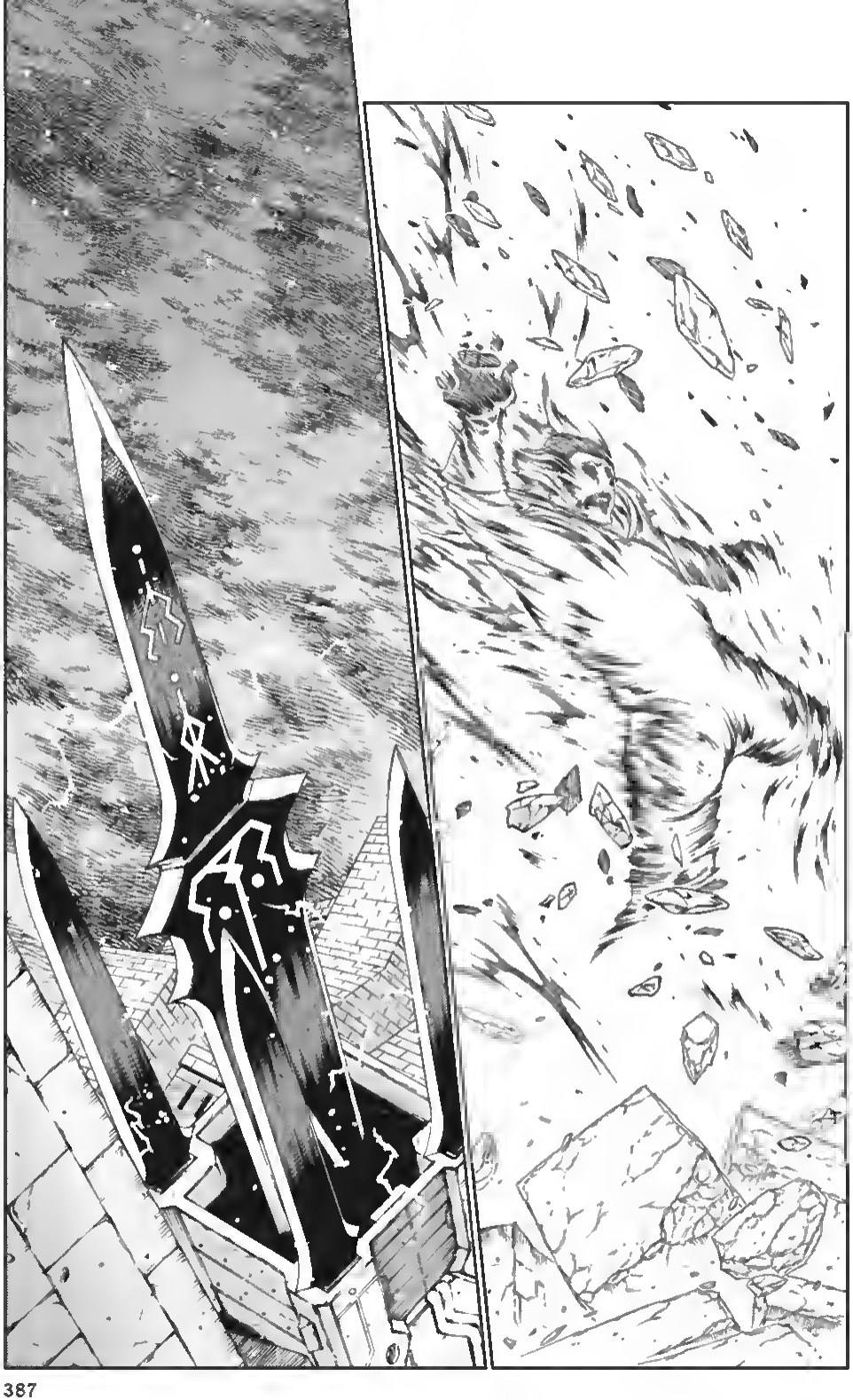



IS IT REALLY .....!?
AHH...
THAT'S .....
...KING GLENN'S FLOATING CASTLE ...!!
!?

ARTILLERY IS PRIMED AND READY
KING GLENN.
...FIRE.







DESTROY IT. EVERY LAST THING ON THIS BATTLE-FIELD...
DESTROY IT ALL.

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